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September 27, 1910.

Col. Charles A. Hopkins,
Winthrop Road,
Brookline, Massachusetts.

My dear Col. Hopkins:

I am very sorry that you were not able to be present at the meeting of the Corporation of Euphrates College. I was afraid that you were very much worse, but was glad to learn later that this was not the case, but that you were resting up at home for your journey.

In order that you may be thoroughly familiar with the situation I am enclosing you a copy of the report of the sub-Committee appointed to look into the situation of the College at Harpoot, and which report was unanimously accepted and adopted at the meeting on Wednesday. If you do not care to keep this report I would be very glad to have you return it to me, but I have another copy in case you wish to retain this.

We missed you from the Prudential Committee on Tuesday and we shall miss you more than I dare attempt to say when you go abroad. But we are glad that you can take this outing now and trust that you will come back to us renewed in body and in spirit. We shall follow you with our interest and sympathy and prayer.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/RBP

October 17, 1910.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire St.,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I have an order from the President of Euphrates College to advance to Mr. D. G. Luledjian, one of the Euphrates College professors, now in this country, up to four hundred dollars for his tuition and educational expenses while studying in this country in preparation for future work at Harpoot. Last year I raised this money from outside subscription and hope to accomplish the same this year. But I have not been able to do so as yet this year. Therefore ask if you will send me ($200) payable to Mr. D. G. Luledjian at Post-Office Block 925, New Haven, Connecticut.

I hope to replace this remittance later by special subscription. If I fail we shall need to charge this against the College account.

Sincerely yours,

JLB/RLP

October 3, 1910.

Mr. D. G. Lulejian,
925 Yale Station,
New Haven, Connecticut.

My dear Mr. Lulejian:

Your letter asking for the $200 for expenses at Yale was duly received, and I am waiting now to hear from the party who furnished the money for you last year, and to whom I wrote at once upon the receipt of your letter. I ought to hear in a day or two. I will communicate with you at once upon hearing from him.

Faithfully yours,

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Sincerely yours,

JLB/RBP

James L. Barton

November 5, 1910.

Mr. D. G. Luledjian,
Post-Office Block 925,
New Haven, Connecticut.

My dear Mr. Luledjian:

I regret that circumstances have compelled delay to yours of September 29th so long. We have just been through our Centennial Anniversary and for days I have not been able to do a thing at the Office. The Treasurer of the Euphrates College Trustees, John I.Monroe, will send you a check for two hundred dollars ($200) which ought to reach you not much after this letter reaches you. I have not yet succeeded in securing this money from outside but hope to do so later.

Regretting the delay and trusting that your year will be one of great value, I remain

Faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/RBP

November 5, 1910.

Mr. D. G. Luledjian,
925 Yale Station,
New Haven, Connecticut.

My dear Mr. Luledjian:

I have yours of October 24th with reference to the subject of degrees for graduates of Euphrates College. I am sorry to say that the Charter of the College - so far as I understand it - does not give the right to confer degrees. I plan to take up the matter at my earliest opportunity with the Secretary of Education for the State of Massachusetts, under whose laws the Charter was granted, to see what steps we can take to secure the right of degree. I am not sure that a way is opened under another State. But we will pursue the question and I hope to bring it to a satisfactory conclusion in due time.

Trusting that you are getting on well in your course, I remain

Faithfully yours,

JLB/RBF

The December remittance will be sent after that report is received.

You have probably heard from Treasurer Wiggin that the Prudential Committee has voted to pay, November 12, 1910. of the American Board the traveling expenses home of the former President of Euphrates College, Mr. H. H. Riggs, and his family, and that when he reaches here he will be put upon an allowance from the American Board, so that will not be a charge against the treasury of the College.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith the remittance of the Treasurer of Euphrates College for November, First of Exchange on Baring Brothers & Co., Ltd., of London, No.78246, for £80 Sterling, which you will please place to the credit of the College.

We recently paid, under an order on file from President Riggs, two hundred dollars ($200) to Mr. Luledjian for his tuition and educational expenses at Yale. This necessarily will keep down the drafts remitted to you unless I can secure through some special gift the money for Luledjian's educational expenses. I expect soon to endeavor to do that and also to secure some added funds for the College.

Your letter was received last night, written as Secretary of the Mission, and will be answered later.

Enclosure

I expect to secure a vote of the Corporation at its meeting in February appropriating $500 for the outfit expense of President Ernest Riggs. He has already drawn a part of that amount here, all I believe from special gifts secured by him for that purpose.

We shall expect to hear, before the next remittance, from you with reference to the condition of the deposit fund, in accordance with action taken at the special meeting in September.

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I hope the taking over of the position as Vice-Consul will not prove too heavy a burden for you. It will of course be something of an added burden but will also be an added experience. I do not understand from your letter that the plan contemplates your holding that position permanently. We are getting good reports of your work in every way.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

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November 12, 1910.

Pres. Ernest W. Riggs,
Harpoot, Turkey.

My dear President Riggs:

It was good to receive yours of October 19th,written from the president's throne and officially announcing that you were on deck. I especially enjoyed the bouyant tone of your letter. Whatever happens, keep up your good spirit and courage, and we will try to do our share at this end in the same line. I have found that when I feel my courage oozing out and streaks of blue begin to appear on the horizon that it is not due to anything in the moral atmosphere or any external conditions that compel such appearances, but that it is due wholly to my own physical condition. Of course there will be problems to face and difficult positions to straighten out. The job would not be worth a man's effort if this were not the case. That is why you are there and that is part of the task which will never be finished until the millennium day.

At the next meeting of the Trustees of the College I will ask for an appropriation of $500 for an outfit for yourself and Mrs. Riggs. This will, of course, include what you have received already for that purpose. Of course we realize that we are running pretty close to the wind financially. I have not been able since coming back from Edinburgh to take up in any aggressive way the raising of new money for the college. I expect to take that matter

up very quickly now, just as soon as we get past this appropriation period. I am sending Mr. Ward by this mail the monthly check for £80 sterling. Before the next check is sent I shall have heard from him with reference to the deposit account so that we can begin in a regular way to make remittances with the exact state of the treasury as relates to the deposits before us.

In New York two or three days ago I called on Mr. Kazanjian, who unquestionably is interested in the college. I put the seed corn thought into his mind that it would be a great thing for some Armenian to furnish money for a new site on the plain and for the central administration building of the college. He agreed with me that it would be a good thing. We were interrupted in our conversation and so no conclusion was reached, -as I did not expect it would be at that interview. I intend to call upon him frequently however, and get other lines out.

You will undoubtedly have some trouble over the army question but I hope the question will be settled finally in Constantinople. I am glad prices are falling. I am not sure but I had better make arrangements here for allowing the alumni of Euphrates College to nominate a member of the Trustees of the Euphrates College Fund in this country. There is nothing in the Constitution that would prevent it. Of course they have only the power to nominate, the Prudential Committee of the American Board only having the right to elect. I wish they would nominate Kazanjian, which they possibly might do if a little preliminary work were done in helping it on. Please consider the matter with care there and let me know just how it strikes you good people at Harpoot. It is worth considering. We have frequently thought here in Boston as to whether we could put on Mr. Arykelyan, who is not an alumnus of the college, but is

a prominent business man. Mr. Bogigian would like very much to be made a member of the Board but he has never been able to work with any committee for any purpose whatever in all his life here in Boston. We feel that the only safe way to deal with him is not to have him on the Board.

I wish I could step in and see you in your newly established home. I may within two years if you are not careful.

I remain, with cordial greetings to Mrs. Riggs and to all the Harpoot circle,

Very faithfully yours,

J. L. B.

JLB/E

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December 9, 1910.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,
Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

Mr. Samuel Cavert,
Union College,
Schenectady, New York.

My dear Mr. Cavert:

I have just received a letter from Ernest W. Riggs, President of Euphrates College, at Harpoot, Turkey, giving your name as one who is interested in the work that he is doing there in Harpoot and who possibly might be willing to consider going out there, for a time at least, to work with Mr. Riggs in the building up of that important college. I should like very much to know your thought on the subject and to render you any assistance I can in coming to the conclusion which is in accordance with the divine plan for the college and for yourself and for the progress of the Kingdom in the Turkish Empire. I should like very much to hear from you, and remain,

Most sincerely and faithfully yours,

Your two letters of November 3d and 10th are just at hand and I will reply to these two letters I just now. I expect to be absent from your mother, which will be repeated many times in the next month or two. We are already laying plans for a campaign for more money for the College. I have been waiting for definite, aggressive move until his return, so that we may have his cooperation. In the mean time I am trying to keep in touch with some of our Armenian friends. In New York the other day I called upon Kazanjian and found him friendly and cordial, but he is going to take some time, I fear, to work him up to the point of making a large contribution. Of course I want to keep him warmed up on the subject of continuing his tutorship, but I want him to do more than that. I talked with him about the necessity of moving the College to the Plain and think he is favorable to it. I spoke at length with him on the importance of enlarging the College to meet the new conditions and new demands that are now placed upon it. He seemed to warm up to that, especially when I spoke of the importance of a Technical Department, to train young men to be engineers, and also an Agricultural Department, to help the country.

I will not speak more at length on this point now because we are taking up the question with your brother, as we are also considering

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December 9, 1910.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

Your two letters of November 3d and 10th are just at hand and are most heartily welcomed. In addition to these two letters I just had opportunity last night for a brief talk with your brother, which we expect to repeat many times in the next month or two. We are already laying lines for a campaign for more money for the College. I have been waiting for definite, aggressive move until his return, so that we can have his cooperation. In the mean time I am trying to keep in touch with some of our Armenian friends. In New York the other day I called upon Kazanjian and found him friendly and cordial, but it is going to take some time, I fear, to work him up to the point of making a large contribution. Of course I want to keep him warmed up on the subject of continuing his tutorship, but I want him to do more than that. I talked with him about the necessity of moving the College to the Plain and think he is favorable to it. I spoke at length with him on the importance of enlarging the College to meet the new conditions and new demands that are now placed upon it. He seemed to warm up to that, especially when I spoke of the importance of a Technical Department, to train young men to be engineers, and also an Agricultural Department, to help the country.

I will not speak more at length on this point now because we are taking up the question with your brother, as we are also considering

the German question, and you can rest assured that we are not going to let this matter drop but keep pushing until something comes. There will probably be nothing coming to the College this next year from the Higher Educational Endowment Fund.

I have heard nothing as yet from Samuel Cavert, about whom you wrote in yours of November 3d, and therefore I am dropping him a note today, as you suggest. The only question that makes me hesitate is where we can get funds to send him out if he can go. But we will not let that question stand in the way now but find out whether the man himself will be ready to go if we can secure the funds.

It is comforting to know that you are entering upon your work with such good cheer. Whatever takes place in the work there, keep up your courage, and if you find your courage oozing out, consult the doctor. It is probably quinine that you want. Remember that you are not in this work to make the whole thing go and finish it up in this decade, but we are in it for the long reach; and important things grow slowly, as a rule. It was Dr. Barrows, I think, who told a student who was eager to take a short-cut course that the Lord could make a good squash vine in about three months but it took a hundred years to make a mighty oak. We are working on the oak principle, - but we are going to try to have the soil so fertilized that the oak will make good progress.

In regard to the question of your own salary and support, of course it has been the rule of the College, from Dr. Wheeler's day, that all the expenses connected with the President of the College should come from the College funds, including teachers, etc. Of course your brother's expenses now in this country, as already reported to you, are met by the Board, as are also his traveling expenses home, so there will be no charge there going to the College.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs--3

I think it is very wise for you not to take upon yourself the question of repairs and upkeep of the premises. You must learn to put on to others all that you can train others to bear, holding yourself as free as possible for the large questions of the College. I think you are very wise in making those arrangements, and probably more even can be done in that line in the future. It is the wise man that knows how to get others to do his work for him. And when you get right down to it, the men who are doing the most in this world are in some respects those who are doing the least themselves - except to furnish plans and direct others.

I rejoice in the inaugural services and hope that we shall have a fuller report. Keep hold of the people; keep them attached to the College and its work; take them into your confidence and make them feel a responsibility for the College. In that way, I believe, you will strengthen the institution, make it more a part of the country itself and give it an influence which can be obtained in no other way.

I am glad to know that you are keeping up your relations with the Alumni. That will well pay you, as we talked over when here, - to keep in close touch with them. Can you not teach an Armenian boy to copy your letters for you and to do a lot of the detailed mailing? But do not let the stream of contact between yourself and the Alumni and the friends in this country dry up. I hope Mr. Pushman will continue his interest.

We take up the German question with your brother so I need not dwell upon it here.

Please remember me most kindly to Mrs. Riggs and to the entire circle. With the best wishes of the Season, I remain,

Faithfully yours,

A dozen copies of the
Constitution are sent
you under another cover.

Mr. A. M. Jamgochian--2

December 19, 1910.

Mr. A. M. Jamgochian,
61, Peter Street,
Manchester, England.

My dear Mr. Jamgochian:

Your favor of the 10th of December is just at hand. I regret that we have not sent you, as we should have done, the annual statement of the condition of the Jamgochian Fund. This is due wholly to the fact that the treasurer, Mr. J. W. Davis, with whom you had so much correspondence in the earlier days, was taken seriously ill and passed away. His work was handed over to a new treasurer, Mr. John I. Monroe, connected with one of the largest banking firms here in Boston. But Mr. Monroe is not a correspondent; in fact, he took the treasurership only on condition that he should not be required to write letters. The fault is my own; I should have taken this matter up and investigated it and sent you the regular reports, as were your due. The state of the fund is as follows: There was added to the principal of last year, which was then $1440.26, interest $61.21, which is the total of the fund as it stood upon our treasurer's books on February 1st, 1910, at the time of our annual meeting, was $1501.47. This was the amount credited on the first of September, 1909. On the first of September, 1910, $63.81 interest was added to the fund, making the total value of the fund at the present time $1565.28.

I will take upon myself the responsibility of seeing that this information comes to you regularly, in accordance with the agree-

ment, and feel chagrined beyond measure that it has been necessary for you to call for this report, which was your due.

I wish to express our great appreciation for what you are doing for the College and have done. You know that President Henry H. Riggs has been compelled to retire on account of broken health, and his brother, eminently fitted for the work, has succeeded him. His name is Ernest W. Riggs, and his wife is the daughter of Dr. Shepard of Aintab. They have entered enthusiastically upon their work.

We are now making a special effort to secure an increase for the endowment of the College. The opportunities for advance are tremendous. We should have a Technical Department, including agriculture, so that the young men may be taught scientific farming, which would tremendously increase the land values in all that region. Then, too, we ought to be able to train men who will do engineering work, under the foreign capital that is coming into that country, for its development in the building of railroads, opening mines, etc.

We feel that it is exceedingly important that the College should move off from the hill, where it is now located, and where there is absolutely no chance for enlargement, down on to the plain, toward Mezereh, where it can expand as circumstances demand and do the work which I believe it is capable of doing for all that part of the country.

Please accept my best wishes for yourself and Mrs. Jamgochian for the season, and believe me,

Very faithfully yours,

Ever faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Mr. Kazanjian might appreciate receiving the receipt directly from you.

Enclosures

January 10, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose two checks for the Euphrates College funds, both from Mr. Bedros Kazanjian, 29 Union Square, New York, - one for $400. for the tutor's salary in the College for one year; and the other for $227, to pay the return expenses of the tutor to this country, his term appointment expiring this year. I would put the $400 to the credit of the tutor's account. The $227 will be needed to send out in the next remittance so that the Treasurer of the College can make advance to Mr. Harper when he starts for home.

I report that the former President, Mr. H. H. Riggs, is in this country. He will be able to be present at the meeting of the Trustees in February. He is now in New York and Philadelphia stirring up the Armenians.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Mr. Kazanjian might appreciate receiving the receipt directly from you.

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Mr. John I. Monroe --2

To this please add the $400 on the tutor's account, which is due, and the $227 for traveling expenses of the tutor when he comes home, as his time expires this summer, making $627. This will make a total remittance called for of about $975. If this meets with your approval and you will kindly hand me a draft for that amount I will send at once.

January 10, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

We have received word now from Treasurer Ward of Euphrates College with reference to the deposit account with the College. The enclosed form will show you where the account stood on November 24, - an increase of 116.75 Turkish liras over the amount of last September, the time of our special meeting. You set aside at the time of our special meeting in September something like $2,000 to form a fund here to meet the possible demands on deposits at Harpoot. We will need to take now an additional $513 from the regular funds of the College and add to that deposit fund, as a guarantee for the £T.116.75 additional. This $513, with the amount already set aside, will be the guarantee in hand against the £T.666.75, the total deposit obligation of the College, as reported by Treasurer Ward in his favor of November 24th, recently received. We have made no recent remittance on the tutor's account.

This will not leave much balance due on the regular remittance from the income of the fund. We made no remittance in December, our last remittance being in November, for £80 Sterling. At least £160 Sterling will be due for December and January remittances. Taking out $513 to put into the deposit account leaves only $287 due on the £80 basis. As £80 was to be the minimum remittance it might be wise now to send a little more - say £70 on the regular income account.

Very sincerely yours,

Statement - November 24, 1910.

Deposits taken to date £T.116.75
Nothing paid

Total obligations to date. £T.666.75

Mr. John I. Monroe--2

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Treasurer Ward, in writing about the 70 day drafts says that the drafts ought not to be more than 60 days after date, preferably less rather than more than 50 days. 60 day drafts he is obliged to hold for a few days, sometimes for a week or two, in order to realize upon them without loss. He says there are times when they will need to sell the drafts as soon as they can get them, and in case of a 70 or 60 day draft this will mean some loss there. He adds, "If however you can save enough at that end on a 70 or 60 day draft to offset a possible loss at this end in case we are obliged to sell before the draft is due through our banker to the London bank, we will not object." You will know what to do in this case.

While I remain,

very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

EUPHRATES COLLEGE, HARPOOT

Statement - November 24, 1910.

Deposits taken to date £T.116.75

Nothing paid

Total obligations to date. £T.666.75

January 10, 1911.

Mr. Bedros Kazanjian,
29 Union Square,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Kazanjian:

I thank you for yours of January 7th, just received this morning, enclosing two checks, both payable to the Treasurer of Euphrates College; one for $400, as "the fifth and last payment for the tutor in Euphrates College"; and the other for $227, for his return expenses to the United States. Please accept my hearty thanks for this most liberal contribution. You will receive a receipt directly from the Treasurer of the College, to whom I am now handing the checks.

While expressing my appreciation of this support of the tutor, I want also to express the hope that your substantial interest in the College will not cease at this point. You will never know what your interest has accomplished already, and I am sure you will appreciate the need of strengthening the College just now. These are days of large things, especially in Turkey, and I earnestly hope that you will feel drawn to do something large and significant in the present Turkish crisis, that Euphrates College may go forward into the field it is so well fitted to occupy and do its work for the country and for the Armenians which it can do if it is only properly equipped.

I remain, with best wishes for the year,

Faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

remittance early in February.

The Professor Nahigian matter was left with the treasurer and I have as yet heard nothing from him in regard to the same. I will confer with him again on this subject.

I hope you received the January 16, 1911. vember 12th of £80, from the general funds of the College.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

Yours of November 24th has waited until we could turn the first of January and find out exactly in regard to the financial situation. I am able now to enclose herewith a draft on Baring Bros. & Co., of London, for £.200 Sterling, due 45 days after date, #78294, payable to your order. $400 of this is for the Kazanjian tutor's fund, and $227 to meet the traveling expenses home of the tutor. Of course if this is not all necessary it need not be used for that purpose. I am sorry to say that when Mr. Kazanjian sent this money he reported that it was his final gift for the purpose, since he has completed the five years for which he pledged the amount. We are in hopes, however, of getting him to continue. The balance, namely,about $350, is from the regular income of the invested funds. We have taken out from the income of the invested funds in this country $513 to complete the guarantee fund for the deposits. This $513, with the sum already set aside, is equivalent to the £T.666.75, the amount of the indebtedness of the College on the deposit account with Armenians, according to your letter of November 24th, in hand. This makes the equivalent of the remittance at this time, including, of course, the amount set apart to meet the deposit account, about $1500. The $513, above referred to, was taken from the income of the funds on deposit. Unless other deposits are received you may expect another regular

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I hope you received the remittance of November 12th of £80, from the general funds of the College.

I acknowledge also the statement, properly signed and witnessed, as regards the funds now in your name in Constantinople and New York that properly belong to the station. It was very thoughtful of you and wise to prepare such a statement, in case of anything happening there.

Hastily but very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

January 17, 1911.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,
Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

A letter has recently come from W. E. D. Ward, Treasurer of Euphrates College, raising the question as to what decision you had made regarding the account of Professor Nahigian. While Ward simply refers to the matter, I should judge that Professor Nahigian is waiting for some statement from you, but I am not just clear what it is he expects. Can I help you in any way?

The draft of $200 was duly received and is being forwarded.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

There is no Library Fund definitely set apart here in Boston for the College Library. Whatever has been taken out for the library hitherto has been taken out of the general appropriation for the college.

The suggestion that the Mangaran and Gurturan be passed over to the native church has seemed to me to be a wise step. Of course Mr. Wheeler would never have given his approval to it, but it seems to

me as if the time has come when "Euphrates College" ought not to have students under five years of age. I wish we might get the College upon the basis of a collegiate and preparatory institution, letting the entrance to the high school be the lowest grade. If the representatives of the local church January 16, 1911. question it looks encouraging. If in doing this they could relieve the dormitory

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still more helpful. Later, when the College goes to t Harpoot, Turkey in Asia. doubt it will, there will be room which the native brethren will probably take over

My dear Mr. Riggs:

Yours of December 2d came to hand two days ago. Your brother Henry was just in and has read it, and we have had quite a talk over college matters. He has just taken a trip to New York and Philadelphia, where he is rounding out the Alumni.

It seems as if you are organizing matters there admirably, and in a way to take a considerable load off from your own shoulders and give you a greater freedom for the larger work of the college. Your brother says that the Alumni will take care of the College paper, the Yeprad. I wish you would send me a full file of the paper that I may keep, and I am not sure that it would not be well if you could send enough so that I can hand a copy to each member of the Board of Trustees. Every such thing helps to bind them to the College and deepen their interest.

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In regard to degrees, I have talked that matter over with your brother this morning. The permission to grant degrees to graduates of the college would not necessitate at all the giving of the degree of "B.A."to everyone who graduated. In these days you know there is discrimination made between graduates and degree students, not so much in collegiate institutions as in post graduate work, but there is no reason why the same principle should not be applied to collegiate institutions. You would necessarily, there on the ground, arrange the standard to which all students must come if they expect to receive the degree. The Board of Trustees here would grant the degree only on the recommendation of the Board of Managers there. In that way the degree would be protected and it would mean something.

We are now planning to make some appropriation from the income from the Higher Educational Fund for next year, and I hope we shall be able to render some positive assistance to Euphrates College. It looks like that now. Your brother and I are not going to relax our efforts to secure special funds from special donors, even if we do secure a thousand dollars or so of added money to help you out. This money, as I have said, will not be available before the first of

July, whatever is given. But more of that later. Your brother probably keeps you will informed of all events here. We have in hand something over one million dollars of the Higher Educational Endowment Fund, so there will be something to give this year.

With affectionate greetings,

Ever faithfully yours,

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,
President Euphrates College,
Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear President Riggs

I have had a conference with the Treasurer over the subject of Professor Nahigian's account. As you will recall, Professor Nahigian sent no instructions with reference to selling, only giving the Treasurer authority to do so as he thought it wise. He has not thought it wise to make any sales, and his advice now is that sales should not be made. He regards the investments as well placed, and just now is not a favorable time for selling anything, except at a sacrifice. All the income that accrues the Treasurer puts into the Savings Bank. He is ready to follow any instructions that Professor Nahigian may send, as to the remittance of funds to Harpoot or the sale of any of the investments which he holds belonging to Professor Nahigian. That seems to be all that can be done now until instructions are received. The accounts are well invested and everything seems to be going on favorably.

Sincerely yours,

P.S. I have not acknowledged yours of November 17th. I thank you for sending me the copy of your recommendation to the Board of Managers. We now have the report of the meeting. We are very glad of all this material.

As to the report of the College for the use of the trustees, - our meeting will be held next month, so it is too late to get anything here this year, but we should like to have a very full report for the annual meeting which hereafter will be held in September. We ought to have, in every instance, a full financial statement of the college for that meeting, as well as a full general report of the work for the whole of the year past.

January 20,1911.

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President Euphrates College,
Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

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Sincerely yours,

January 31, 1911.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,
Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Brothers and Co. of London, No.78303, for £210 Sterling, $1,000 of which is a special gift for the expenses of the College from Mrs. Winslow, of Poughkeepsie, New York; 10 liras of this amount is for the Prize Fund, from the Pashgian endowment; and the* balance from the regular income of the College Endowment Fund. As Mr. Wiggin was in the Hospital this draft was made payable to my order and is made over to you.

With sincere regards,

Faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

* I find there is no "balance".

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January 31, 1911.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

Your brother will tell you of the gift we have received, which is now embodied in the draft for £210, herewith enclosed, all for the College, and to help out in the extra expense up to the first of July. We are depending for the finances of the College, to make up the deficit, upon gifts that come from outside. We hope to help you out from the Educational Fund for next year, in a measure at least, but that fund is not available for anything between now and July, so far as the Committee has decided. $1,000 of this check for £210 comes from this gift of Mrs. Winslow, but your brother will write all about that; you know the parties well. $44, or 10 liras of this amount, is for the Pashgian prize money. We understand from your brother that that matter is thoroughly understood there. Those prizes are assigned. Any balance is from the regular income of the College. I shall hope to be able to send you another check after we receive the report of the December situation, but I fear it will not be a very large one. Our funds are drawn up closely. Our Treasurer spoke the other day of having few available funds, and the February income is light indeed. But do not be discouraged. Your brother is doing good work. He is sending out his letter to a large circle and we expect there will be response.

* There is no balance

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We have a meeting today of the Education Committee, to deal with the subject of the appropriation from the Higher Educational Fund for 1911-12. That Committee will make report to the Prudential Committee a week later. I hope by the middle of February that we shall be able to send you some report of what you may rely upon from this Fund for the next College year. The whole question is still in the hands of the Committee, as to whether another appeal should be made to Mr. Rockefeller. Tht Committee is giving a great deal of attention to the subject. It is considered by many members of our Prudential Committee as an exceedingly important question that needs the most careful consideration before the taking of final action. Some of us do not put quite the same importance from the American standpoint upon the question that others do. But it is well to move slowly, because it is essential that we keep our Committee together on this question; that whatever happens the Prudential Committee remain as a unit and act as a unit. If there should be a split in the Committee it would complicate matters. I think we are going to carry the Committee as a unit and that they will be in favor of an appeal. It will then remain to be seen how effective the appeal is; how much it will produce, - if it produces anything at all. But I feel that we will not have done our duty to these institutions until the appeal is made.

Your brother will keep you informed of all the details here so I need add nothing. The Educational Committee meets in a few minutes and I must be ready for it.

With most cordial greetings,

Faithfully yours,

February 2, 1911.

Mr. D. Chauncey Brewer,
113 Devonshire St.,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Brewer:-

We are compelled to call the annual meeting of the Trustees of Euphrates College Funds for the 9th inst. at 3.30 in the afternoon. The Treasurer informs me that his accounts are ready to audit.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

February 15, 1911.

Mr. D. J. Lulejian,
925 Yale Station,
New Haven, Connecticut.

My dear Mr. Lulejian:

I have just received the enclosed monthly statement of Deposit Account from Treasurer Ward, showing that they are entitled to $7.55 on Deposit Account from that fund. I wish also we might send them the minimum monthly deposit, as authorized at the special meeting last fall, namely, from £80 to £100 at the beginning of each month, subject of course to the report of the Treasurer at Harpoot with reference to the Deposit Account. I wish we might keep us this £80 monthly remittance, for the sake of the College, and especially through this spring term, until the gift from the American Board becomes available.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

February 15, 1911.

February 17, 1911.

Mr. D. G. Lulejian,
925 Yale Station,
New Haven, Connecticut.

My dear Mr. Lulejian:

Your letter of the 14th, asking for a remittance of $200, for expenses of the last college term, is just received. It will be necessary for me to hold this until Mr. H. H. Riggs returns from a trip into Western New York. I hope a few days' delay will not trouble you. Our Treasurer would not wish to make the remittance without a conference with him, as he has recently talked with you.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/E

P.S. We cannot get permission for the College to give the degree of B.A. without an act of the Legislature. None of the colleges in the interior of Turkey - in fact, none except Robert College - has that privilege now. We may take up the matter a little later with reference to all our collegiate institutions in Turkey.

February 17, 1911.

Mr. George W. Gensemer,
Pine Grove, Schuylkill Co.,
Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Gensemer:-

I thank you more than I can express for your kind favor of February 16th enclosing a check for two hundred dollars ($200) to meet the balance of the schooling expenses for the year at Yale University of Professor D. L. Lulejian who is preparing himself to return to Euphrates College, Harpoot. I cannot find words to express our gratification at this farther manifestation of your abounding interest in this work.

I remain

Very gratefully and faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

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February 23, 1911.

Mr. G. S. Jensemer,

Pine Grove, Pennsylvania.

Mr. & Mrs. Gulesjian,
925 Yale Station,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Gulesjian:-

I enclose herewith a check from the Treasurer of the Euphrates College Funds for $200, to cover your educational expenses for the balance of the year, in accordance with your letter recently received.

I am very glad to forward this and to anticipate your return to Harpoot with full equipment for large service to Euphrates College. Ex-President Riggs is keeping in touch with you.

Please sign the enclosed receipt and return to me.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosures.

power. Lulejian will be an added force when he returns.

Appreciating your cooperation in every way, I remain,

February 15, 1911.

Most faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Mr. G. W. Gensemer,

Pine Grove, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Gensemer:

You were so kind as to suggest that if I was able to secure a part of the money this year for the tuition of Professor D. G. Lulejian, who is preparing himself for work at Euphrates College at Harpoot, I should write you again. I did secure $300 of the $500 necessary for Mr. Lulejian's expenses. It now looks as if the $200 in addition will be all that is required to take him through this year. He is studying, as you know, in Yale College, and as I understand plans to go back this summer to begin work in Euphrates College next fall where he is greatly needed and where his splendid opportunity for study in this country will give him great advantage and a very wide influence there.

President H. H. Riggs, who has had charge of the College for eight years, is just now at home. As you know, his health failed, and his brother, Ernest W. Riggs, is taking his place. We are trying to work together to build up the institution and to secure added endowment so that it may have a continuously increasing income. The demands upon the College are beyond any possibility of its meeting them. When I say "demands," I mean demand for room and tuition for pupils, demand for more teachers, and also the demands of outside schools for the College to furnish them teachers. The College stands at the center of a great movement in that country and is exerting a wide influence and

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Most faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

reached you safely. That was a special gift from Mrs. Winslow of Poughkeepsie, N.Y., and is for current expenses, with 10 liras added for Mr. Pashgian's prize fund.

Faithfully yours,

February 14, 1911.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

It gives me gratification to enclose you herewith First of Exchange on Baring Brothers & Co., Limited, of London, No.78315, for £130 Sterling. £50 of this is from the Deposit Fund and is to cover the 55 liras which you have paid there at Harpoot in December. The £80 Sterling is the regular February deposit.

I want to speak most appreciatively of the blank which you have prepared and to tell you that it seems to us here that this is going to keep financial matters in a very clear form, will avoid confusion, and help us every month to know just where we are as to deposit accounts.

I am very glad that things are looking up a little for the College, especially with reference to the appropriation already made and reported out to President Riggs from the Higher Educational Fund, which will be a real added lift to the College for the next college year. It seems as if the College finances are getting into a much better shape. I hope we have passed the crisis and that we shall find clearer sailing in the future, and a possibility for some enlargement.

You will notice that this draft is drawn for forty-five days after date. Please let us know if this is more satisfactory. I hope the remittance of £210 Sterling, sent under date of January 31st,

February 10, 1911.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

Your letter of January 6th came to hand just in the nick of time. It was received the day the annual meeting of the Trustees was held, so I was able to report contents to the Board. It is encouraging to us all that there is a prospect of your being able to pass over the Manguran and Gurturan to the Protestant Community. Your brother was present at the meeting and spoke on this same subject, and the following vote was passed by the Trustees on this point, -

> "VOTED: That the Trustees approve in general of the plan suggested by the Board of Managers at Harpoot and by President Riggs to pass over the Primary and Intermediate Departments of the College to the Protestant Community for direction and support."

You will see therefore that you have the approval of the Board here to complete the arrangements as the Board of Managers there are able to do.

We are greatly pleased at the good work which the Board of Managers there seems to be doing. It is worth everything to have such an organization back of you and with you.

The financial condition of the College is satisfactory, showing the total assest in the hands of the Treasurer here, to date, to be $93,731.72. This is some $4,000 less than the amount reported last year, owing to the special remittance to Harpoot on account of indebtedness. The trustees heartily approve of your brother's plans for

securing funds,and pledges its support in that endeavor.

I enclose a statement of Professor Nahigian's account with the Treasurer. The Treasurer advises that none of the investments be changed at the present time, but of course he is ready to act under Professor Nahigian's direction.

With reference to the point touched upon in your letter, namely, the acceptance of all students who apply, I am not sure but it would be a most valuable move for the College to put a high standard upon admission, so that the numbers would be kept down. This would enable the College to do better work and to accomplish, through the quality of tis students and its graduates, what can never be accomplished by quantity. There is always a temptation to speak of large numbers, but when you reach the last analysis it is quality that tells. I am glad that you and the Board of Managers are thinking of these things, and I am sure that you will have the backing of the Trustees in anything in that line that seems wise to you.

The Constitution was changed at the meeting yesterday, so that hereafter the annual meeting will be held in September instead of in February. You will recall the vote of the last special meeting, namely, that at this September meeting the Trustees expect that they will have in hand a full report both from the Treasurer of the College at Harpoot with reference to the financial condition, with estimates, etc., for the following year, and that there will also be a full report in hand from the President of the College, covering the entire work of the school for the year past.

I am glad to be able to report to you that the Prudential Committee have appropriated from the Fund for the Higher Educational Work of the Board $1551 to Euphrates College, this sum to be available

for the next College year, beginning with July 1st. This appropriation is divided as follows:

For salary of yourself and Mrs. Riggs	$836.
For one-half salary of Mr. Ward _	215.
For an additional tutor, with traveling expenses, etc.	500.
Total - - -	$1551.

It is expected that this appropriation will be repeated another year, and so long as the present need and conditions continue. We are making this announcement thus early in order that you may make plans for next year with the assurance that this money will be available. We are also planning to send you, when it is out, a set of the new edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica. I know of no books that will be a more substantial and permanent addition to a college library than those. They will be sent free, - paid for out of an appropriation from the Higher Educational Fund.

I believe there is nothing farther to report from the meeting of yesterday. I want to commend the fullness and freedom with which you write about the situation there. I hope that writing is not a burden to you, and certainly you enable us to keep in touch with the situation there in a way that to us is very gratifying.

With cordial greetings to Mrs. Riggs and the station, I remain,

Faithfully yours,

Signed (J. L. B.)

Enclosure

March 2, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
c/o Kidder, Peabody & Co.,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose a check for twenty dollars ($20), a gift to Euphrates College from Mrs. Danforth of New Haven, Connecticut. I have not her initials.

May I ask if you will kindly send me a check for twenty-five dollars ($25), which money I have actually advanced to ex-President Henry H. Riggs to pay his traveling expenses to New York and Philadelphia, in order that he might meet Armenians and others and interest them in the College. I take it for granted that the Trustees will be ready and glad to pay these expenses which I think will open the way to contributors. He has formed an association of the graduates of the College in Boston and another is to be formed in New York in two or three weeks.

Mr. Riggs has receipted for Mrs. Danforth, although if you will send the receipt to me I will hand it to Mr. Riggs.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/RBP

March 2, 1911.

Mr. Pedros Kazanjian,
29 Union Square,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Kazanjian:-

I have been in New York several times recently but have found myself so tied up with engagements that it was impossible for me to call upon you. Then, again, knowing how busy you are I hesitate to break in upon you during the business hours of the day.

When I called upon you last I referred to some of the changes contemplated at Euphrates College. I want to tell you how grateful we are for your interest in the College and for all that you have done for it. We appreciate this to the last degree, and also we appreciate the wide vision you have for the future of the College. There is no educational Institution in Turkey today, Robert College not excepted, that has such possibilities of influence and uplift for the Armenian people as a race, that Euphrates College possesses. Its location is unique, its influence rapidly increasing, and it occupies a great field without a rival. Its long history has given it a standing and prestige which many of the more recent Turkish Institutions do not possess.

It is absolutely essential in order that the College may grow and meet new conditions that the College Department be moved down to the plain where it can have a commodious site and buildings adapted to

I have been over this matter very carefully. Perhaps you

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its needs, with every possibility of growth and development. All this is lacking on the hill at Harpoot. The Primary Department of the school will probably be passed over soon to the Armenian Protestant community, as that should be, in the city. They have expressed the desire to take charge of that part of the work which will relieve the College administration. It has never seemed to me quite fitting that the College should number among its students two or three hundred who are in the Primary or intermediate grades. Also the High School Department would remain on the hill in the present buildings where there would be ample room to develop. This school would be a feeder for the College.

It does seem essential, however, that the College proper move down to the plain where it can have buildings adequate for its need and the field for extension, and in this all the Faculty at Harpoot, the Board of Managers and the missionaries agree. I must say that it commends itself most heartily to me, as I believe it did to you when we talked the matter over a few weeks ago. If this is to be done the time to do it is now. We have a new fireproof library building promised for the College, and a part of the money has been paid in. But we cannot build this building on the present site because there is no place for it. It should be built where the College is to be in the future. So we are waiting. We have also some money, nearly enough for a new gymnasium, but we are holding that until this decision is reached. We cannot do anything looking toward the development and building up of the College until this question is settled, and I don't see how it can be settled until it is settled right, and that without question is that the College be moved to the plain on a new site.

I have been over this matter very carefully. Perhaps you

will remember the chiflik lying outside of Mezereh in the plain, comprising several acres of land, walled in with an abundance of water. It seemed to some of us that that would be an admirable place for the new College to be. Day students could reach there easily from Mezereh, while the College itself would have a good campus, large enough for use for many years to come. Additional territory could be bought at very reasonable rates if expansion should be called for. One building beside the library building and gymnasium already spoken of would allow the College to move down on the plain.

I have been over the matter very carefully with Mr. Henry H. Riggs who has just come home from there and it seems to us that thirty thousand dollars ($30,000) will secure the site with water, wall it in if the old chiflik is not purchased, and put up a substantial, ornamental, commodious administration building which would be the central and permanent building of the College. You know how much farther money goes in that region than it does here when it comes to construction. We should insist that the building should be of stone, laid in cement, that it should be substantially built and large enough to accommodate recitation rooms, offices, laboratories, and perhaps temporary dormitories at the top until dormitories can be built up.

I desire seriously and earnestly to see the central building of the College, that will stand for a hundred and more years, the "Kazanjian building", and the new campus the "Kazanjian campus". I know of no more fitting memorial which could be possibly erected; I know of no place where money could be invested to accomplish more for the lifting up of a race, as well as for the re-organization of the Turkish Empire, then right there. Mr. Riggs would be glad to talk with you, if you so desire,

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in regard to farther details as to site, etc., and I am also at your service. I hope to see Harpoot within fifteen months from now. But I would wish that the arrangements might be so completed that we could plan on the ground for the wider and fuller development of the College. I feel sure that your gift would call out other substantial gifts, and that the day you made the gift would be a marked day in the history of the College. It would be the beginning of great things for that Institution, I am sure. You have the opportunity of being a pioneer in a new movement at Harpoot, - and it is a pioneer whose name is always remembered with gratitude and appreciation by future generations.

I remain, my dear Mr. Kazanjian,

Most faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Mr. John I. Monroe,
11 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

JLB/RBP

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I have received the enclosed from the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland, and have properly executed the same and pass it on to you. I suppose that all that remains now is to forward the check for the completion of the transaction.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

of Euphrates College and bind the Alumni of the College closer to it. I do not see why it cannot be done. I feel sure that you will take practically the same position. I will try to show the document to your brother before it goes and he can write you his opinion on the subject. He has not yet seen it.

It is now past the middle of the month and we have not yet received the statement from the Treasurer of the College with reference to the deposit account. No remittance, of course, has been

March 18, 1911.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

I have just received at the hand of Mr. M. A. Yeshilian, 405 West 145th Street, New York City, the enclosed document, which tells its own story. This document was forwarded to the Board of Trustees of Euphrates College but it belongs to the Board of Managers and yourself for consideration. I have written Mr. Yeshilian that I do not see why the request cannot be complied with, and that it seems to me quite reasonable. At the same time I informed him that it is forwarded to the Board of Managers and not to you. If the writing of the diploma in the Armenian language and the additional signature of some Armenian professor of the College who be designated by the Board of Managers for that purpose, will add to the value of the diploma of Euphrates College and bind the Alumni of the College closer to it, I do not see why it cannot be done. I feel sure that you will take practically the same position. I will try to show the document to your brother before it goes and he can write you his opinion on the subject. He has not yet seen it.

It is now past the middle of the month and we have not yet received the statement from the Treasurer of the College with reference to the deposit account. No remittance, of course, has been

March 25, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I have received the enclosed from the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland, and have properly executed the same and pass it on to you. I suppose that all that remains now is to forward the check for the completion of the transaction.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

made, awaiting the receipt of the statement.

Word has also just come from Pastor Lohmann, appointing the 12th and 13th of May as the time set for the conference at Frankfurt between myself and their committee.

March 18, 1911.

Very sincerely yours,

J. L. B.

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Very sincerely yours,

J. R. B.

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April 5, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the deposit statement from Treasurer Ward, of Euphrates College, for the month of Jany. You will notice by this that they are entitled to £T.5 in addition to the regular remittance - to be exact - $22, which amount will be taken from the deposit account with you. Can you send me for the March remittance £85, which covers the £80 regular remittance and the £5 additional for the deposit account?

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

James L. Barton

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

April 14, 1911.

April 11, 1911.

Mr. W. E. De Ward, Treas.,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith First of Exchange of Baring Bros. & Co., Limited, of London, No.78357, for £50 Sterling, £50 on the regular remittance from the income from the College funds, and £5 to reimburse the College for payment on deposits, reported in your statement for January, just received.

I am looking for the full financial statement in almost any mail from him upon your statement for February.

I have had time to go into the accounts of the College. It seems to me that it would be well to go over the accounts most carefully and learn what the monthly charges are for the support of fixed expenses. The £80 a month that we send makes a total of £960 a year, which is nearly five thousand dollars ($5,000). In addition to these we have sent some special funds and may be able to send more, but there is nothing more in hand at this writing.

I expect Mr. Gary will be here next week and we shall have opportunity to talk with him in regard to matters in Turkey in general.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

James L. Barton

April 14, 1911.

April 10, 1911.

Mr. W. N. D. Ward,
Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,
Harpoot, Turkey.
Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

Your statement of deposit account for February has just come to hand and I enclose, herewith, First of Exchange, No. 78360 on the Ottoman Bank, Limited, of London, for £80 sterling. This is the general income of the College on its general account and I am glad to be able to make the remittance for February has not proven an unusually burdensome month for you there.

I am looking for the full financial statement that you were to send me after you had had time to go into the accounts of the College. It seems to me that it would be well to go over the accounts most carefully and learn what the monthly charges are for the regular fixed expenses. The £80 a month that we send makes a total of £960 a year, which is nearly five thousand dollars ($5,000). In addition to these we have sent some special funds and may be able to send you more, but there is nothing more in hand at this writing to meet those necessarily increased expenses.

I expect Mr. Carey will be here next week and we shall have opportunity to talk with him in regard to Harpoot in particular and Turkey in general. I have hinted in a letter to Mr. Ward that Mr. Carey has resigned. In a brief letter written upon the receipt of the vote of the Harpoot station for their going back Mr. Carey writes a kindly, friendly letter and says, - "In order that the Prudential Committee may not be delayed in getting a good man for needy

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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April 10, 1911.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

I am enclosing herewith a letter to Mr. Ward, treasurer of the College, with a draft of £85 Sterling, payable to his order, for the College expenses. We shall be glad indeed to receive at as early a date as possible a full financial statement of the College. We were made not a little anxious because of a letter recently received from him reporting a debt, and almost as large as it was before the special appropriation of $6,000 was made to cover all indebtedness to that time.

We have your letters of February 6th, 14th and 25th. Yours of February 6th, which was sent by the southern route, reached us some little time, as you know, after your letter which came direct. The high prices something that we shall have to face. When we get the facts we must make some special appeals for added funds to meet those necessarily increased expenses.

In yours of February 14th you discuss the pros and cons of Mr. Carey's return. I have hinted in a letter to Mr. Ward that Mr. Carey has resigned. In a brief letter written upon the receipt of the vote of the Harpoot station for their going back to Diarbekir, Mr. Carey writes a kindly, friendly letter and says, - "In order that the Prudential Committee may not be delayed in getting a good man for needy

Diarbekir, Mrs. Carey and I inform you that the circumstances of our home demand our presence for at least a year more, and we therefore hereby resign. If after that time there should still be a call for our services in the foreign field we would be glad to consider it. In the mean time our greatest interest is always in the success of the Board in its work for Christ." We are not presenting this resignation at once to the Committee, and I am in hopes we can come to an understanding with Mr. and Mrs. Carey so that they will not insist upon it. If they feel that it is necessary for them to remain a year longer in this country the arrangement can be made without their resinging.

There are delicate questions in regard to his return, as your letter clearly indicates. Carey has been most unfortunate in arousing a suspicion of his theological standing, or perhaps I had better say of his judicial wisdom in making his standing known, or the manner of his making it known to the natives of his country. I find that in Central Turkey there is a feeling that Mr. Carey may make trouble. I wish he would be willing to take up pioneer work in the Diarbekir field, for which he seems to be so well equipped. He could do a splendid work on that side of the mountain, including the Koordish field. That is a field which was always attractive to me. Mr. Brown will remember probably when I made an appeal to the Harpoot station for Mrs. Barton and myself to locate in Diarbekir. And Mr. Brown has repeatedly been willing, within my memory, to take up that work. I wish the importance of it had impressed Mr. Carey more.

You certainly are to be congratulated on the splendid way in which you are bringing your Local Board of Managers into line, and I know it will cheer you to have me say - as I am glad to - that your colleagues in the station speak highly of your administrative ability and of your qualifications for the high place which you now hold.

Mr. E. W. Riggs--3

I have just received word this morning of the death of Mrs. J. W. Davis of Newton. This releases the legacy to the College, which will add to the permanent funds of the College. I do not know just when it will be paid. Mrs. Davis has been a great sufferer and has been quite out of her head ever since Mr. Davis's death, and her going home now is a glad release to herself and to all her friends.

We are approaching the Missionary Exhibit period, which will be a great trial undoubtedly to us all, but more to those like Mr. Bell and Mr. Eddy who are right in the middle of it. I have kept pretty thoroughly out, taking my turn only in matters of consultation. I have even declined to attend many committee meetings. I must now sail on the 29th of this month, after the Exhibition has been opened only one week, to meet that German Committee in Frankfurt, on the 12th of May. I never have gone to a meeting of a committee with so little information at hand which will be of real help in solving the question under consideration. The light that is in me is darkness, and in the language of the Scripture, "How great is that darkness." I have a good talk with your brother occasionally on the subject, and every time we talk it over he says that he himself is becoming less and less clear as to what can be done that will solve the problem. I shall probably go to this Committee meeting with no instruction, and of course with no authority to make any agreement. I have asked the Sub-Committee on Turkey to give me instructions, which they as persistently refuse to do.

Our New Missionaries' Conference begins on the 20th of this month. We have a nice lot of new missionaries but I am sorry to say not an ordained man for Harpoot at this writing.

With cordial greetings,

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure.

April 27, 1911.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

J. T. Field, Esq.,
192 South Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Field:-

The enclosed letter, recently received from President Riggs of Euphrates College, is of such general interest that I am taking the liberty of sending you a copy.

There is no doubt that Euphrates College is doing a most important work and every report that comes from Harpoot shows how effectively Mr. Riggs is filling the position of President.

Very sincerely yours,

JLB/E

Mr. W. E. D. Ward--2

April 26, 1911.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,
Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I did not reply in my letter to you of the 22d to suggestions that you made in yours of March 24th with reference to appropriations made from the Higher Educational Fund, for purposes of the College. It was not expected that the appropriations which we made would necessarily exactly cover the expenses of the tutor. If there is a surplus in favor of the College account that will be credited to the College. If it does not quite cover it, it is expected that the deficit will be met from the College funds. The idea in the mind of the Committee was to make an appropriation to various colleges of $500 for what is called the tutorship. I wonder if the allowance for the traveling expenses to Harpoot is not more than the actual necessary expense, but be that as it may, next year when the appropriation is made let us have an exact statement as to the salary of Mr. Riggs so that we may make the appropriation to correspond.

I will report what you write in regard to Mr. Nahigian's account to the Treasurer, Mr. Monroe.

The Tabular View blanks I believe have been sent you.

With regard to Mr. Lulejian, we made no arrangements with him here whatever. We had an order from Mr. Riggs to pay Mr. Lulejian, on the College account, whatever he might call for. At that time the

Mr. W. E. D. Ward--2

College was embarrassed financially and it did not seem wise to draw on that account to the extent necessary for Mr. Lulejian's education here, so I raised the first year for his education $435, and for this last year I have raised $200, making a total of $635, all of which has been paid to him. I also have paid, as you know, $200 which has been charged to the College account. This makes a total of $835. I report this out to you with the understanding that the money that I raised for his education was raised for the College, and that so far as he is concerned the case is exactly the same, as I view it, as if this money had been paid him out of the regular College treasury and charged up to that account. In your dealings with him you will assure him that he has been paid $835 for his American education from the College funds, and whatever arrangement was entered into with him at Harpoot when he came can be carried out.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Mr. Monroe, says and he makes the following requests. In regard to the income from investments that accrues during the year, if there seems to be an opportunity to make a good investment in the present kind of [illegible] to invest the income in that way, placing anything left over in the Savings Bank. But if there does not seem to be [illegible] he would like all the income remitted to him when it has accumulated above $100. The interest of the Savings Bank Fund to remain in the Bank. I could not quite understand the account rendered us. For while you state that the income that accrues is placed in the Savings Bank, yet the difference in the Savings Bank account on Feb. 10 and Feb. '11 was only $27.60 while the income that accrued as stated Feb. 1, 1911 was $106. The $27.60 was the interest that had accumulated during the year on the Savings Bank Fund, I suppose. Then I suppose what was meant was that the $106 was allowed to accumulate somewhere and placed in the Savings Bank after this report of Feb. 1, 1911 was made and a year's income had thus been piled up. Am I right in my understanding? For Prof. Nahigian was wondering if the income thus accumulating was not drawing interest while it accumulated. He would like to have it do so, if possible."

I sent him the exact copy of your statement of his account which you furnished me, but without any explanation.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

June 2, 1911.

April 26, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

Under date of March 24th, Mr. W. E. D. Ward, Treasurer of Euphrates College, writes as follows in regard to Professor Nahigian's account:-

"I have reported to Prof. Nahigian what the Treasurer, Mr. Monroe, says and he makes the following requests. In regard to the income from investments that accrues during the year, if there seems to be an opportunity to make a good investment in the present kind of stock, then to invest the income in that way, placing anything left over in the Savings Bank. But if there does not seem to be such an opportunity, he would like all the income remitted to him when it has accumulated above $100. The interest of the Savings Bank Fund to remain in the Bank. I could not quite understand the account rendered us. For while you state that the income that accrues is placed in the Savings Bank, yet the difference in the Savings Bank account on Feb. '10 and Feb. '11 was only $27.60 while the income that accrued as stated Feb. 1,1911 was $106. The $27.60 was the interest that had accumulated during the year on the Savings Bank Fund, I suppose. Then I suppose what was meant was that the $106 was allowed to accumulate somewhere and placed in the Savings Bank after this report of Feb.1,1911 was made and a year's income had thus been piled up. Am I right in my understanding? For Prof. Nahigian was wondering if the income thus accumulating was not drawing interest while it accumulated. He would like to have it do so, if possible."

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Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

June 2, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

After an absence of a little over a month, returning to my desk this morning I find the enclosed monthly deposit statement of Euphrates College had got into my files and was not attended to as I expected it would be in my absence. You will note from this that £.Str.20 had been paid at Harpoot on the deposit account, so that this will call for the remittance for March of £.Str.100, - £20 to be drawn from the deposit fund and £80 from the college funds.

Sincerely yours,

L. Bartlett

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Mr. W. E. D. Ward--2

We started out, I believe, with Pounds Turkish - certainly that was our understanding here. Your last two statements contain the same figures, but with the word "Sterling" attached.

Very sincerely yours,

June 7, 1911.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Bros. & Co., Ltd., of London, #78383, for £120/12/2 Stg. This is divided up as follows:- £20 from the Deposit Fund, to cover the amount of deposit paid for March, in your report of April 6; $100, or £20/12/2 for Professor Nahigian; £80 from the regular income of the College for college expenses. The Treasurer reports that as soon as Professor Nahigian's balance is again $100 he will make another remittance, unless Professor Nahigian orders to the contrary.

I have only regret to express that this check has been delayed. In my absence in some way it was overlooked in the files, escaping Mr. Bell's attention, although I made arrangements to have it sent at once upon receipt of the statement. Another check will probably follow this very close as your statement for April is just in.

As I have not yet been able to read through all the correspondence that has accumulated since I have been away I am sending this without learning whether there is some communication on my desk that needs an answer. Perhaps I can add a postscript to cover any special need in that line. I am just in from Bangor this morning.

Will you kindly state whether the figures that you put into your monthly statement of deposit account are Sterling or Pounds Turkish?

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James L. Barton

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June 13, 1911.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the monthly deposit statement of Treasurer Ward for Euphrates College for April. This indicates no deposits taken or received. The usual draft of £80 is therefore called for, for the regular expenses of the college.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

June 13, 1911.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

Your statement of the deposit account of the College for the month of April came duly to hand. I find on consulting the treasurer that the funds will allow of only £40 payment at this time. I had hoped before this to be able to secure some special gifts which would supplement this amount by providing the treasurer, Mr. Bell that when the original plan for sending at least £80 a month was devised it was to include, in his mind, all special gifts. In that case the $1,000 sent as a special remittance would supplement this £40, to make up the £80, and more. We are not trying to get behind this special gift. We are sending all the money we can secure and all of the income of the invested funds. The remittance of some $6,000 on the debt of course has cut down the income, as it was understood it would do when the remittance was made. The draft enclosed is £.Str. 40, on Baring Brothers & Co., Limited, of London, No. 78384.

I have seen your long explanatory letter to Mr. Wiggin on the financial situation and have read it with great care; in fact I have it now before me ready to return to him this morning. Certainly the financial situation there is complicated, with the Egin Company, industrial work, etc. I have not looked into the details of it, so that I do not pretend to understand it all. I sincerely hope that

June 19, 1911.

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Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

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it will be cleared up some time. You have had an unusually hard task to perform there, in the way of getting finances straightened out. Do not be disturbed. Think of what a pleasure it will be when once straightened out! The treasurer of our Japan Mission for fifteen years, Dr. Learned, who has carried on the treasury work with unusually full work as a missionary, told me when I was there three years ago that the treasury work was his recreation. That was the work for the whole mission, with something like $100,000 a year passing through his hands. When you get it in order there in Harpoot you may experience something of that same sense of relief. I hope so. I would urge you therefore not to be discouraged, but to keep on, with the assurance of winning out in due time.

We are now in the midst of the Commencement Season. Mr. Bell is away at Northfield for a Conference of the Students and will not be back until the fifth of July. I have now got the correspondence pretty well read up which accumulated when I was away, so that it looks as if we were getting things to going again.

Hastily but very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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June 29, 1911.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I answered your favor of the 16th of May on the 19th inst., but now have to report that the request for the appropriation from the Treasury of the Board for an outfit allowance for President Riggs was carefully considered at the Prudential Committee meeting this week, and I am sorry to be compelled to say that the Committee did not feel able to make the appropriation. They took on, as you know, the traveling expenses of Rev. H. H. Riggs and family when they came home on their furlough and have assumed their home allowance while here. This naturally would belong to the College. The Committee appreciates the splendid work Mr. Riggs is doing, not only in the College but in the Mission, and I am sure they would have made the appropriation had they not been confronted with a financial condition which is somewhat alarming, as our treasurer is reporting a threatened deficit at the end of the year. I will say, however, that much sympathy was expressed in the Committee and I am going to take up the matter at once with the Trustees, one of whom was present in the Committee, and see if we cannot secure at once a special fund with outside contributions.

I would also add that this morning I have been over a circular that Rev. H. H. Riggs has prepared to send out to a special list of between four and five hundred people, calling for funds.

I would also report that at the meeting of the Trustees in September we are planning to inaugurate a financial campaign and are laying our lines now. We of course will need full and careful statements on the College, including reports of the work done during the year, its financial condition, needs, etc., and of course careful estimates of the cost of the institution for the year to come, as the College is now conducted, with what is needed for enlargement in addition.

We are waiting eagerly to hear from the Harpoot station with reference to the German situation, after my communication to Mr. Peet has been received.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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July 5, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe, July 7, 1911.

115 Devonshire Street, Boston.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
Care of Kidder, Peabody & Co.,
115 Devonshire St., Boston, Mass.,

My dear Mr. Monroe,

I have just received the monthly deposit account for May for Kuluretes College, showing the enclosed. This shows a balance of £30 on hand in the University under the direction of the Kuluretes College Management and is now ready to go back to Kuluretes as a teacher with £80 salary. You can remit as much from the regular income of the College for the [illegible] home and these arrangements will not interfere with the hundred fifty dollars (illegible) five traveling expenses. Mr. [illegible] reports that nothing that this is all right, and that the money should be advanced. Luledjian has secured the degree of Master of Sciences and goes back admirably equipped for College work.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/RBP

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July 7, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
Care of Kidder, Peabody & Co.,
115 Devonshire St., Boston, Mass.,

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I have just received a letter this morning from D. G. Luledjian, who has completed his studies in Cornell and in Yale University under the direction of the Euphrates College Management and is now ready to go back to Harpoot as a teacher in the College.

Arrangements weremade with him before he came home and these arrangements call for the payment now of one hundred fifty dollars ($150) to him to meet his return traveling expenses. Mr. Riggs has recently seen him and reports this morning that this is all right, and that the money should be advanced. Luledjian has secured the degree of Master of Sciences and goes back admirably equipped for College work.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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July 7, 1911

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,
Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith Draft of Exchange on Baring Bros. & Co. Ltd., of London, #7853, for £110 Sterling. £30 of this is to cover the amount of the deposit paid in May and £80 is from the regular income of the College.

Mr. Shedd has called for $150 to pay his traveling expenses back to Harpoot, which at the suggestion of Mr. Riggs, we are drawing from the Treasury and sending to him.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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July 27, 1911.

July 24, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

Enclosed please find receipt from D. G. Lulejian for the $150. remitted from funds of Euphrates College for Prof. Lulejian's travelling expenses back to Harpoot.

I hope to get back part of this money, at least.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton-

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I have just received this morning a letter from Treasurer Ward, enclosing the slip, in which he says that he fears he will not be able to give us a final statement of the College finances for the past two years for the meeting of our Trustees in September. I am disappointed in this statement but hope that he will yet be able to do so.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

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July 27, 1911.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe,

I enclose the deposit account of the College for the month of June, showing that no new deposits have been received and none paid, and with total deposit obligations of £T.556.75.

In view of the special contributions that have been received I suggest that no reduction be made on the remittance on account of the £150 paid for Euledjian's traveling expenses back to Harpoot. I am yet in hopes of securing at least a half of that amount as a special gift. I wonder, in view of the needs at Harpoot and the necessity of putting in supplies and paying for them before College opens if we cannot send an additional sum, say £150. all told, £80 from the regular income of the College and £70 from special gifts.

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July 31, 1911.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith draft on Baring Bros. & Co, Ltd., of London, No.78408, for £150 Stg., which you will please place to the credit of Euphrates College. £80 of this is the regular monthly remittance from the regular income of the invested funds and £70 is special contributions received during the summer in response to special appeal.

I believe I have reported $150 paid from the funds of the College for the return expenses of Professor Luledjian. This payment was made on the recommendation of Mr. H. H. Riggs. We have received special gifts to make up this £150, so that it will not be charged to the regular College account.

I gratefully acknowledge yours of June 27th and July 6th, neither of which calls for any special reply. The vote for a furlough for Mr. and Mrs. Emrich will have early consideration. We are looking forward with eagerness to the receipt of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Mission.

It is very important that we should have, at a meeting of the Trustees in September, an estimate of the expenses of Euphrates College for the year 1911-12, - even if we do not have a clear balance sheet as to the exact financial condition prevailing in the College. If we cannot have this for the Trustees meeting we need it for reference here at all times during the year. To be a little more explicit, we need a

statement as to what the salary account calls for and the other necessary expenses of the College, over against which is set the receipts of the College, as estimated for the year, from local sources. We are carrying on a vigorous campaign here in the hope of securing added funds for College purposes.

With cordial greetings,

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) J. L. D

Enclosure

September 8, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

August 31, 1911.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

I enclose herewith the monthly Deposit Account of Euphrates College, showing that they have paid £.T.30 in July. This would call for an August remittance of at least £.110.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

The enclosed bill for $12.95, for Euphrates College letter-heads used by myself and by Mr. Riggs in writing college letters, has come to hand. Will you please remit to Mr. Todd, and oblige,

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Faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

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Sent to
J. W. Field
Dr. E. E. Strong
Miss Carrie Borden
Mr. Wolcott Johnson
Miss Kate G. Lamson
Mrs. F. H. Wiggin

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I will send out word to the Trustees with reference to the meeting of the Board for the 22d of September.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton
Secy.

Enclosure

September 11, 1911.

Sent to
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Dr. E. E. Strong
Miss Carrie Borden
Mr. Wolcott Johnson
Miss Kate G. Lamson
Mrs. F. H. Wiggin

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
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My dear Mr. Monroe:

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D. Chauncey Brewer, Esq.,
49 Central Street, Boston.

My dear Mr. Brewer:

sor Mahigian, and reports that Professor Mahigian approves of the plan which was suggested, namely, that as soon as the Committee gain $100 you will remit the same to him.

The Annual Meeting of the Trustees of Euphrates College will be called for the 22d of September, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. It will be an unusually important meeting. Please reserve the date.

You will be present, I hope, on the 22d. I have written the Committee calling their attention to the necessity of the audit previous to that date.

Sincerely yours,

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September 11, 1911.

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You will of course bear in mind the meeting on the 22d. I have written to the members of the Finance Committee calling their attention to the necessity of the audit previous to that date.

Sincerely yours,

Our annual meeting of the trustees of the college is to be held on the 22d of September. I hope we shall have some statement from you by that time. It is very essential that we have a schedule of the regular obligations of the College, showing what the annual expenses necessarily must be on the present basis.

Perhaps we can arrange the matter of the House Fund for the Eastern Turkey Mission in making out the appropriations for next year. I will take the matter up when that subject is before us.

Thank you for referring to the matter of the personal statements we are sending out to the missions regarding new recruits.

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Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith draft on Baring Brothers & Company, Limited, of London, No.78434, First of Exchange, for £110 Sterling. Your loan statement for July was received last week, showing that £30 have been paid on deposits. This includes therefore £80 from the regular income of the College and £30 covering the deposit fund.

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I gratefully acknowledge your good letter of August 10th. I have held it a few days until we could get the remittance from the Treasurer. You get undoubtedly direct reports from Mr. Riggs regarding his endeavor to increase the College constituency here. He is working very systematically and wisely, and he keeps at it in a most encouraging manner.

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Perhaps we are making them a little too full. We have had a similar suggestion to yours from one other mission. I will give that matter immediate attention.

We have got so far in the accounts of the year that it is clear that we shall close with no deficit. This cheers our hearts and gives us new courage for the year to come.

With cordial greetings,

Hastily but very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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James L. Barton

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September 28, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose deposit slip for August, from Mr. Ward, Treasurer of Euphrates College, showing that £.T.2 have been paid out of the Deposit Account. This will call for the regular remittance of £.80 from the College funds with an added remittance of £.2 from the deposit account. In view of the situation at Harpoot may I ask if you will also include in the remittance the special gifts that have been received during July and August, to be applied to the College expenses.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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It was very kind of you to write the letter of thanks and appreciation to the Prudential Committee for the remittance from the Higher Educational Fund and for the Encyclopaedia Britannica. The

September 28, 1911.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

I am not going to try to answer letters that are received from you, with reports, etc., all of which came quite in time for the meeting of the Trustees. In order to get this letter in before the next mail goes to Turkey I must write in large part - if not entirely - before the adjourned meeting of the Board this afternoon. I shall probably be able, however, to add a postscript before it goes.

I want, first of all, officially to report to you that an appropriation from the American Board treasury of $650 has been made to you as an outfit allowance. When I brought the matter before the Committee before the fact was lost sight of that the outfit given to your brother was given by the College and not by the Board. It was our purpose to give this outfit allowance to your brother, letting him pass over to you the old outfit with whatever refit he might draw at the end of his furlough, but his choice was that the appropriation should be made direcely to you, and he keep the old outfit. While this appropriation comes rather late I hope it will not be any the less acceptable, as I am sure it will not be. It is made now with a clear understanding of the case.

It was very kind of you to write the letter of thanks and appreciation to the Prudential Committee for the remittance from the Higher Educational Fund and for the Encyclopaedia Britannica. The

Committee will appreciate the letter, I can assure you. I also want to thank you for the comprehensive letter that has just arrived on the subject of the possible new site for the College. I am inclined to think that the site upon which you have your eye is the one that was offered by the Husinek people to the College before the main buildings were put up at their present location. I know in riding down on the Plain one day in the general vicinity of the point you designate, Dr. Wheeler pointed out a rolling piece of ground, adding that that ground was offered the College at one time if it would accept it and put its buildings upon it. I wonder if it isn't the same place. Professor Mahigian will probably know.

I see the difficulty that you will have in securing the site. I am inclined to think that when the time comes to purchase you will have to take into your confidence two or three men and go ahead independently and make the purchase, in order to avoid the extremely high prices which publicity would inevitably produce. We shall bring this matter up at the meeting this afternoon. Your brother has prepared an admirable one-page statement of the College situation, at the request of the Trustees at their Annual Meeting, which, after their approval today, we shall duplicate and use widely in the campaign for funds. I think we shall be able to send you a copy herewith, which will give you a little impression of what we are trying to do. Your brother is doing loyal service. We raised the question the other day as to whether Mr. Carey would not be able to devote some months to a college campaign this fall and winter. Your brother telephoned this morning that he finds Mr. Carey is engaged in business in a way which will prevent his responding.

I am interested in what you call your radical views regarding a separate Girls College. It certainly is a suggestion worthy of full

consideration. Even if the College should remain a part of Euphrates College and under the same Board of Trustees here in America, that would not necessitate, as I understand it, that the Girls Department should remove to the Plain even if the Boys Department does. It would not prevent, as I understand it, a different name for the Girls College. We have several illustrations in this country where two institutions, practically a unit, have separate names and are generally regarded as separate institutions.

I am very glad to know that the health situation at Harpoot is improving. I had a good letter from Mr. Ward yesterday. I hope to get a remittance to him by this mail.

I want to acknowledge in a general way all of your communications going back to August 17th and the 25th. They do not call for specific discussion at this time. I have no hope that we shall be able to secure a special committee of the Trustees, as they are all too busy men to give much of any time for College propaganda between the sessions; in fact, at the annual meeting last Friday five of our members were absent, three of them men that we were especially eager to have present. I have only one excuse for the adjourned meeting this afternoon, - he was present last week, Mr. Kelsey. We are making plans to secure $2,000 additional income for the College for this next year, - I mean in addition to what is now in sight.

There is nothing of the Annual Meeting action that calls for any special report to you. We keep $2,000 on call, available to meet the deposit account at Harpoot on the shortest possible notice. Money can be sent on a telegraphic order if there is a call of urgency for it to meet deposit accounts.

The general estimate that you sent of expenses for next year proved a good basis upon which we can work. We of course are eager to

get the exact statement as to the indebtedness of the college. We had assumed, as you know, that the previous statement was an exact statement. I see now that the great difficulty under which we are laboring at the present time is that the College has been using considerably more money than we now have to give to it. In the first place, the $2,000 or $3,000 deposit account money shows funds which the College has had for use above all remittances from Boston. Then, too, Mr. Davis was in the habit of drawing and remitting from the funds of the College which might be used for such purpose but which really ought not to have been used without a clear understanding on the part of the administration at Harpoot that the remittances were in excess of the regular income and that that method could not be indefinitely kept up without disaster.

All the additional gifts sent out now from contributors are for the general work of the college, unless specifically designated when remittances are sent. I will ask your brother to see that you are provided with a list of all donors of these special gifts. I am sure a communication from you direct will be of real value. What we are trying to do is to tie up to the College a list of supporters which will constitute a living endowment, and if we are able to hold them in a proper way we can expect legacies from some of them in due time.

We hope that cholera is vanishing from the air. We are wondering if cholera will in any way interfere with our proposed journey next winter and spring. It will be a great disaster if we should run into quarantine along the way.

Faithfully yours,

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September 29, 1911.

P.S. The meeting of the Trustees yesterday afternoon was a most interesting one, although three of the wealthiest members were not present. I enclose a statement which was presented to the Board and heartily approved. We are having this duplicated, with the understanding that each member of the Board will use it among his friends to raise the $2,000 needed to make up the deficit. The financial statement herein contained is as near as your brother and I could get it from all the data in hand. The temper and spirit of the meeting were excellent, and two of the members present are setting about to raise $400 each, each one of them promising $100 to start off with. Your brother and I will use a large number of these statements for general circulation, always accompanied by a letter. A statement like this is worth more than a longer one.

Your report to the Board of Trustees and the communication from the Board of Managers were read in full at the meeting yesterday. I will report later on the action taken; there is time but for this added postscript this morning.

I hope to get a check into the mail today to Mr. Ward, but it may be that it will not reach me in time to be mailed before next week.

Faithfully yours,

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September 30, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

At the adjourned meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Euphrates College Funds, the enclosed statement with reference to the situation at Harpoot and the needs of the College was presented.

It was voted that the entire Board of Trustees should act as a committee of the whole to secure from twenty donors, if possible, $100 each, to make up the deficit of $2,000, as indicated in the accompanying statement. Two members of the Board present expressed their desir to be of the twenty, and it was finally decided that all should endevor to secure from others, with the help of the enclosed statement, subscriptions to this fund. There was only one feeling expressed, and that was that something must be done, and done at once, to enable the College to move forward strongly and aggressively in its peculiar field. The College has never been in better condition, both from its internal equipment and outside conditions, to go forward.

I enclose herewith five copies of the statement, which has the authorization of the full Board, with the hope and expectation that you will be able to use these among people of your acquaintance and secure from them a subscription to this fund which must be raised We will all join in the effort, with the assurance th[illegible] success wi[illegible] result.

Faithfully yours,

when it moves off from the hill. This man, after giving the land, will probably erect the necessary buildings, and possibly, his friends say, endow that department.

I hope you will get some real rest on this trip, and remain,

October 4, 1911.

Ever faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Col. Charles A. Hopkins,
Old South Building,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Colonel Hopkins:

I was sorry not to be here on Tuesday when you called up by 'phone. I returned to the office this morning and find here your letter of yesterday. I am very glad that Mr. Mills will accept appointment to the Board of Trustees of Euphrates College. I have already put it down upon the Docket for the first meeting of the Prudential Committee after we return from Milwaukee.

With reference to a new President for the Board, I wish you would allow your name to remain for the present, while we are in this special financial campaign. Your name is printed on the letter-heads as the President of the Board, and I should hope there would be no change just now. We will try to keep any special burden from coming upon you, to the limit of our power.

You will be interested to know that I think I have track of an Armenian who is keenly interested in an agricultural department for the College, and who is a very wealthy man. I expect to see him in Chicago next week. I have learned that he is contemplating passing over to the College $10,000 or $15,000 worth of excellent farming land on the Harpoot Plain, in the immediate vicinity of the region that President Riggs thinks is best adapted for the College

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Inclosed sample of Lush. Coll. Literature

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Finance and Auditing Committee
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SAMUEL WARD

Boston, October 4, 1911.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,
Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

Yours of the 3d inst. is at hand, with check for £150 Sterling. We shall not need to send any more remittances this week in New York.

I enclose herewith two documents which grew out of the annual meeting. The shorter one is prepared for the use of the Treasurer and others in raising the $1,000 needed for the expenses of this meeting. I enclose herewith not only receipt for this £150 Sterling but receipts for all the remittances we have received from you since July 1st.

I also enclose a second form of appeal for use among a list of people whom we will want to put on our mailing list for Euphrates College, which we have had struck off for supporters and friends of the College.

The three votes of the Board of Trustees and the recommendation which you made in your report are as follows:-

"First, It was Voted - That the Board heartily approves the plan presented for the conduct and development of the college and for its removal to the Plain, but recognizing the obligation of the entire Board to do all in its power to secure the needed funds, the Board as a whole be regarded as a special committee to cooperate with Mr. Riggs as far as possible in securing the money.

"Second, It was Voted - That in view of the state of the finances of the college, and in view also of the fact that Rev. H. H. Riggs expects to return to Harpoot in a few months as a missionary of the American Board, the request that he be appointed Professor of Physics and Chemistry of the college be declined for the present.

Sincerely yours,
James L. Barton

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Finance and Auditing Committee
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SAMUEL WARD

Boston, October 5, 1911.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

I write you again with reference to the adjourned meeting of the Trustees of the College and also with reference to some experiences I had this week in New York. First, in regard to the meeting.

I enclose herewith two documents which grew out of the annual meeting. The shorter one is prepared for the use of the Trustees and others in raising the $2,000 needed for the expenses of this year. I have sent a set of these also to Mr. Ward, so you will have two sets there at the station. . Your brother will use the longer statement among a list of people whom we will want to put on our list of supporters and friends of the College.

The three votes of the Board of Trustees and the recommendation which you made in your report are as follows:-

> "First, It was Voted - That the Board heartily approves of the plan presented for the conduct and development of the college and for its removal to the Plain, but recognizing the obligation of the entire Board to do all in its power to secure the needed funds, the Board as a whole be regarded as a special committee to cooperate with Mr. Riggs as far as possible in securing the money.
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> "Third, in view of the finances of the college the Board does not feel able to comply with the request of President Ri ggs to send with the American Board Commission to Turkey a representative of this Board of Trustees accompanied by an architect to plan for college buildings on the Plain. The Board does, however, request of the American Board Commission that they look into all questions relating to the college and its removal to the Plain and report thereon to this Board of Trustees with whatever recommendations they may have to offer."

It was also voted that the communication under date of June 30, addressed to the Board of Trustees and signed by all the members of the Board of Managers at Harpoot, setting forth the special needs of the college, "has the sympathetic approval of the Trustees, who will do all in their power to secure additional funds for the college which will permit the addition suggested to college equipment. The Trustees are in full sympathy with the need as set forth in these two communications."

You perhaps know that Col. Hopkins feels that he must retire from the presidency of the Board, although no successor has been elected. I am writing to him to try to persuade him to allow his name to remain for the present while we are in the midst of this campaign, as his name is on the letterheads and we had better not change our official head just at this time. He has suggested Mr. Brewer as a good President. The Trustees have asked Mr. Edward C. Mills, to serve on the Board, and Col. Hopkins informed me that he was a member of his church, namely, the Harvard Church, Brookline, and that he will accept appointment. We shall ask the Prudential Committee at their next meeting to appoint him as a member of the Board. He is a brother of Charles S. Mills, who was a classmate of mine in Hartford and who is an eminent Congregational leader. He will be a good addition to our Board. We tried to get him on some time ago but he declined then. At that time they tried to make him treasurer. He would be a good man for the treasurership at some time in the future. He is a young business man, who, I

learn, is in a very successful business.

I was in New York this week; in fact, I am just back this morning, and had a long talk with Benneyan. You know well that he is a most devoted friend of the college. He is doing everything that he can to hold the Alumni together, and in fact all previous students of the college, and tie them up to the college. He reports the sending, a few days ago, of $200 for your printing work, and it is his plan to keep the channels open. I had a long talk with him on the plans for the future development of the college, with all of which he is in hearty accord. He says that a cousin - or is it a brother-in-law - of his, by the name of Nahigian, has raised the question with Benneyan as to whether the college will accept some rather extensive tracts of land in the vicinity of Husinek, and so far as we can make out not a long distance away from the site that you suggested in your letter, recently received, as in your judgment well fitted for the future location of the college. Mr. Nahigian's idea is that the college shall have later an Agricultural Department, and that this land shall be used for that purpose. I have felt that we must have an Agricultural Department as soon as we can finance it. I am writing this to you as personal matter, not to be talked of there in the Board of Managers or among the Faculty, but Mr. Benneyan said I might write you about it. It calls for no action there in any way. I may write more at length after seeing Nahigian in Chicago. Benneyan thought that he was ready to give what would amount to $10,000 or $15,000 now, but he wanted to give it in land, - the whole thing depending somewhat, probably, on the future movement of the college, location, etc. He said that he thought if Nahigian should give this land now, later he would provide the buildings for the Agricultural Department and perhaps also later for the endowment of the same. This is a line that we intend to follow

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up, and when the way opens we shall want to put you into correspondence with him. I shall expect to look into matters fully when out there next spring and to report to Nahigian; in fact, I shall plan to prepare a statement when there at Harpoot for use among the friends of the college. Such a report, signed by all the members of our Commission, could not fail to carry weight.

I have not time for more today. We are about off for Cleveland and Chicago, and Milwaukee.

I am sending by this mail to Mr. Ward a check for £150. I am sure you will husband, as best you may, these added contributions, because we are not quite sure yet how we are coming out.

Another question also was raised by something that you recently wrote as to the conditions of the $800 for the Girls' College from the Higher Educational Fund. It was not the intention, as I understand it, that that should be used for special equipment in the way of apparatus. It was meant to be used for additional expenditures, like increase of salaries, etc., as well as for apparatus and whatever in the judgment of the administrators of the College was most necessary.

Very faithfully yours,

(Signed) J. L. B.

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Boston, October 4, 1911.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward, Treas.,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Bros. & Co. of London, No.78453, for £.150 Stg., payable to your order as Treasurer of the American Board. £.80 of this is from the regular income of the Board and £.70 is from special contributions which have been received in response to the appeals that have gone out from the rooms and from Mr. Riggs. This with the £.70 special sent you under date of July 31 makes £.140 of special gifts. This will cover the £.T.2 on deposit account funds which you reported in your statement for July.

I am also glad to report to you officially, what you have already learned undoubtedly through Mr. Riggs, that the Prudential Committee have appropriated $650 as an outfit allowance for President Riggs. The outfit which he is now using, and which was purchased by his brother, will go to the brother. They can make whatever adjustment they please between them, but it was the brother's suggestion that this appropriation be made to the President as a new outfit for his use.

We got along very nicely in the Trustees meeting without the financial statement, except that we are quite in the dark as to the indebtedness of the College. I sincerely hope that when you reach the bottom of things you will find the indebtedness is not so great as you

anticipate. I don't know what we could do if we should turn up what would seem to our trustees as another indebtedness of $5,000 or $6,000.

I enclose herewith two statements which we have recently prepared, one for the use of the Trustees and others in securing the $2,000 added income for the year, and the other including all of the first named but with additions for use in the wider appeal. I send these copies for your use and for the use of the President as containing information of what we are trying to do.

We are exceedingly sorry that your health has not been better and hope by the time this gets there you will be very much better than you were when you wrote. Miss Mattoon and Miss Fenenga sailed from New York yesterday on the Fabre Line to Naples, but they will probably take a steamer back on the same line from Naples to Marseilles, to avoid quarantine, which we now understand is imposed on all who ship from Naples. Their movements in Naples will depend considerably upon the situation there as relates to cholera.

We are wondering if the war - which is dignified by that name in our American press - between Italy and Turkey will materially affect the situation within the Turkish Empire. We shall wait eagerly for developments along that line.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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five million souls. It has had an honorable history, with great opportunities opening before it today. There is no one of the American colleges in Turkey that so commands the interest of its former students and alumni. Several of these students have contributed liberally for its support and there are others who have been successful in business life in this country who are contributing doing still more for it. The

October 30, 1911.

Mr. Edward C. Mills

Brookline, Mass.

My dear Mr. Mills:-

I can hardly tell you with what gratification I received the report from Col. Hopkins that you had consented to serve as a member of the Corporation of the Euphrates College Funds. This satisfaction is due not only to what you are but to my long acquaintance and association with your brother. It gives me gratification to welcome you as a member of the Board. You will receive official notice from Rev. E. E. Strong, Clerk of the Prudential Committee, of your election.

The Board is quite independent of the Prudential Committee of the American Board by its charter, its members are elected by the Prudential Committee and by the Woman's Board of Boston, the latter electing the woman members of the board.

I am sending you, under another cover, the charter of the College and one of the latest of its printed leaflets.

Another leaflet is in process of preparation which will bring the report of the College down to date. This College is located in the Eastern part of Asia Minor, near the Euphrates and is the only institution for the higher education of young women for a population of something like

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Secretary

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five million souls. It has had an honorable history, with great opportunities opening before it today. There is no one of the American colleges in Turkey that so commands the interest of its former students and alumni. Several of these students have contributed liberally for its support and there are others who have been successful in business life in this country who are contemplating doing still more for it. The trustees in this country hold over $90,000 of college funds as endowment. There are some legacies written for the College, to my knowledge; one of $3000 is just about to be paid in.

You will see by the letterhead who the other members of the Board of Trustees are. Some of these you know personally; the others I am sure you will be glad to know and meet. Rev. Henry K. Rigge, who has recently retired from the presidency of the College on account of health, and who was succeeded by his brother Ernest K. Riggs, is now in this country. He met with the Trustees at their annual meeting and so became personally acquainted with them; I should like to have him meet you also as opportunity may offer.

Will you kindly send me the address to which you would like to have notices of meetings mailed.

I remain

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton
Secretary

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November 10, 1911.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward, Treas.,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

Dear Mr. Ward,

I enclose herewith draft on Baring Bros. & Company, Limited, of London, £8473, 8s.80 Sterling, the receipt of which please acknowledge for account for Euphrates College for the month of October.

Will you please send what income you can from the regular funds and also any special gifts, letting us know how much is income and how much special gifts. I am writing today to Mr. Browne, so will not repeat anything that I have said. We hope the College is opening auspiciously this fall and that you are far better than you were in the summer and that everything is encouraging.

We are now in the midst of appropriations for 1912.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

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December 11, 1911.

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My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith draft on Baring Bros. & Company, Limited, of London, #78473, bearing date November 10, for £.80 Sterling, the remittance due the College on the October account as per statement received from you.

Will you please send what income you can from the regular funds and also any special gifts, letting us know how much is income and how much special gifts.

We have not heard anything from Harpoot for some time. I am writing today to Mr. Browne, so will not repeat anything that I have there said. We hope the College is opening auspiciously this fall and that you are far better than you were in the summer and that everything looks encouraging.

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115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

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Faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

James L. Barton

December 18, 1911.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I return the receipt of Mr. Riggs for money drawn from you to cover traveling expenses, etc. This includes the $25 that you remitted to me for this purpose and which he has used.

I also enclose receipt for the £80 Stg. You know draft which was recently received from you and which is now forwarded to Harpoot.

I hope you will be at the meeting of the Trustees tomorrow.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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of the bodies above named.

I want to write to you, in the closest confidence: the reason for this you will readily understand. There has been

December 20, 1911.

Mr. Bedros Kazanjian,
29 Union Square,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Kazanjian:-

I have called at your office twice when in New York but you were away each time. I wanted to have a little more talk with you about Euphrates College, your alma mater, in whose prosperity and advance I know you rejoice. You know how crowded and cramped the site is now on the hill at Harpoot. Harpoot is running down; the Armenians are leaving, and it will become in time apparently of much less importance than it is today. At the same time Mezereh is building up and the villages outside. We have money for two new buildings for the college for which there is no place to erect them on the present site. The college cannot go on without new buildings to meet the new conditions in Turkey today.

It is the unanimous judgment of the Board of Managers at Harpoot, of the faculty of the College and of the Board of Trustees in this country, that the College must move down to the plain, and this move has now the formal and official approval of the bodies above named.

I want to write to you, in the closest confidence: the reason for this you will readily understand. There has been

much investigation going on at Harpoor with reference to a site on the plain to which the College could go and there is now a consensus of opinion in favor of a site in the vicinity of Jirid Tepe, including probably that hill which is not far off the main line between Husenik and Mesereh, and it is also on the line of route from Harpoot to Keserik, down past the serai. There are several large and flourishing villages in that vicinity, with a wide stretch of most productive farm land all under good cultivation. There are many mulberry trees in the vicinity, with plenty of water.

Now what we want is to secure at least 50 acres of land in that vicinity and begin to do it at once, through some mutual friend in Husenik who would quietly buy up the property that we require for the college. As soon as the site is purchased and it is known it is for the college, it will necessarily add very materially to the value of the farm land in that region. We shall hope later to have an agricultural department for the college, and so should have 100 or 200 acres of land in addition upon which scientific methods of farming may be practised. Through this department we can bring in new seeds and new crops and new methods which ought in ten years to double the value of farm land throughout that whole plain, because it would more than double the products from the land. This is our dream and our hope, and we believe it will be carried out.

We need just now to secure the site for the College, and then we will begin the buildings, and as early as possible get the College down from its present impossible position.

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The location above suggested will allow students to come from Mosereh, Husenik and all the nearby villages for day lessons, permitting them to stay at home every night, thus reducing the expense, while giving them the highest privileges of a collegiate education.

I am enclosing a leaflet which we are sending out to a few intimate friends of the college, setting forth the needs and conditions.

Is there anything that you can do to help us now in securing the site for the College? I am convinced that we could buy the fifty acres required for $3000.

I remain

Very cordially and faithfully yours,

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December 20, 1911.

Mr. S. H. Nahigian,
122 Wabash Avenue,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Nahigian:-

When I had the talk with you in Chicago in October with reference to the situation at Harpoot and the removal of Euphrates College down to the plain, I was expecting to be at Harpoot in April and promised to report to you from there upon the situation as I found it. But the conditions in Turkey have turned out to be such that I am advised not to undertake the trip this year but to wait a little, probably a year, so that the whole journey may be undertaken as planned. In the meantime, matters are developing rapidly at Harpoot.

I want to write to you in the utmost confidence, because, as you know, it will not do to have this matter talked about there in Harpoot or Husenik, for if it should become public it would be almost impossible to secure land down on the plain for the removal of the college, without paying an abnormally high price. I want to tell you in confidence that the general consensus of opinion seems to be among the authorities there at Harpoot that the place for the college is down at the foot of the hill, past the serai, and somewhere in the vicinity of Jirid Tepe. Our Board of Trustees are in favor of that site and are waiting for some good friends to make it possible to move the college down. We must, of course, first

the site, and we should have not less than fifty acres of land, to which additional land could be added when we are ready to take up the agricultural department for the college. If we had two or three thousand dollars now at once, we could begin to purchase, through some friend in Husenik perhaps, all of the land on Jirid Tepe, and then the surrounding land, so that we could to ready to build up the great college that Euphrates College is sure to be when we are able to add the departments which the circumstances in the country require to be added.

Can you give us any suggestion and help in this matter,- of course always keeping the matter so secret that the prices of land in that vicinity will not become abnormally high? Just as soon as the college goes down there, there is no doubt it will greatly add to the value of land in the vicinity.

I write to you as a friend of the college and as a personal friend, knowing that your knowledge of the situation will make you feel the importance of privacy in our correspondence.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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December 20, 1911.

Mr. D. G. Pushman,
16 South Wabash Avenue,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Pushman:-

When I was in Chicago and talk the talk with you in October I was planning to be in Harpoot in April, but conditions have now changed, owing to the disturbed and unsettled condition of the country, so that my trip to Turkey is postponed for a year. In the meantime we must make some move with reference to Euphrates College, not only to secure its income but to secure a site for it down on the plain.

You know how cramped the college site is. We cannot build new buildings for which we have the money. There is a unanimous opinion upon the part of all- the Board of Managers and faculty of the College, and so far as I know the friends of the College at Harpoot- that it must be moved down to the plain and be given a chance to expand. We are now looking for a site, and I will tell you privately - and this must not be spoken of - that it looks as if the site is practically agreed upon. It is a fine piece of land, elevated enough to make drainage wholesome, one for which water can be easily secured, down below Harpoot not very far from Husenik, near the road from Husenik to Mesereh. Of course this will not be mentioned to anybody, for fear of the possibility that

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the securing of that site might be blocked by enormously inflating the prices of land in that vicinity, and we must get at least fifty acres. We want to develop technical training, including agriculture, and for that purpose will need very much more land than the 50 acres I have mentioned.

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Euphrates College is going to be a great institution. It must be - and we must not again be cramped for land as we now are. If we had $3000 right in hand now, we could begin to purchase the land, through some friend in Kasenik or vicinity, until we have the whole amount the College will need before the change of location is generally known. I have an idea that $3000 will secure at least 50 acres if not more. The arable land ought to pay interest on the investment until it is necessary to use it for building purposes.

Can you suggest any method by which this money can be secured and we can meet the situation? I enclose a little statement of the College which we are sending out to a few very close friends.

Euphrates College is one of the most necessary and important educational institutions in Turkey today and is doing one of the most pieces of work that I know of.

Wishing you the best wishes of the season,

I remain

Most cordially and faithfully yours

James L. Barton

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December 20, 1911.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs:-

Harpoot, Turkey.

My dear President Riggs:-

I am now able to report to you a special meeting of the Trustees of Euphrates College held yesterday here in the Congregational House. The meeting called for a few days ago failed to report a quorum, but we had a good attendance yesterday. The subject before the meeting was your letter especially of November 2nd referring to the selection on your part of a site for the college in the vicinity of Jirid Tepe. The matter was very fully discussed and I am very glad indeed to report to you the following action which was unanimously taken.

> "Voted, That President Ernest W. Riggs be authorized to secure if possible, funds from local or other sources and with the same to purchase land for the college in the vicinity of a site known as Jirid Tepe, it being understood that if the final decision is against that site the money will revert to the college when the property is sold."

This last clause was added directly from your letter as a part of the condition upon which you hoped to be able to secure Two hundred pounds Turkish (£t200). We were fortunate in having your brother with us to explain the location and to answer questions which were very freely asked by different members of the Board. We had no direct clue as to what the land was to cost, but your brother thought that it could be purchased for probably fifty dollars ($50) an acre or

less, with a likelihood of its being less rather than more. The fact that this was the site that Dr. Atkinson and Mr. Carey had selected independently of yourself is certainly confirmatory evidence that it is the logical site. Your brother prepared quite an extensive map on which he explained the situation and location. You have therefore, the approval of the Board of Trustees to secure that money if possible and to begin to purchase, and there was an unanimous feeling that we ought not to stop short of fifty acres and that the amount purchased ought to be more rather than less than that. Your brother thought that the arable land thus purchased would yield a fair income on the purchase money until used for building purposes, thus making it a safe investment.

As I remember that was the site that Dr. Wheeler pointed out to me one time as one that was offered by the Husenik people as a free gift to the college if Dr. Wheeler would build a college there. As I have thought the matter over I have wondered if properly approached some of those Husenik people would not be willing to give the entire fifty acres or sixty acres which we ought to have for the college on condition that the college occupy that site. The moving down of the college will add greatly to the value of the farm land in the vicinity and will open all the educational facilities to the children of Husenik and the near villages as well as to Mezereh. I am sure you will be able to get good advice on this subject and to act wisely. I cannot but believe that we shall be able ultimately to secure the site without paying out any college funds collected in this country.

I will say, however, that if the purchase begins with the money that you think you would be able to secure and you find that you will be able to continue the purchase and have not the funds, please

write me at once. We have a vote of the Trustees which will allow the Treasurer and myself to draw on the funds of the college up to Twelve hundred dollars ($1200) in order to continue the purchase there of the needed land provided, of course, the money cannot be secured elsewhere. But I know that you would be as loath as I to touch any of the interest bearing funds of the college. We need every dollarof it and ought to add to it rather than to take from it, and it was stated by the Board of Trustees that we did not wish to withdraw a single dollar of the interest-bearing assets of the college.

Your brother raised the question as to whether an annuity gift would be received for this purpose and the Board authorized him to solicit funds on condition that the donor should receive four per cent of the gift during life. The Board is not decided as to whether they would wish to invest such a fund in a college plant or in buildings so long as the annuitant lives. That is a matter that would need to be settled later when the gift is actually offered. It might be invested in income producing land in the vicinity of the new college site which would be available later for agricultural purposes. But that is another question.

This morning I have written to Nahigian of Chicago who has been so interested in the agricultural side of Euphrates College and who is, I understand, a large owner of land in the vicinity of Jirid Tepe. I have written to him with great confidence, as I talked with him the other day, and I think he will not betray that confidence. I think that he will appreciate it and that it will work for the good of the college. I have also written to Pushman and to Kazanjian of New York. We will see what comes of it.

The point to emphasize is that you now have authority to

proceed with the raising of money and the purchasing of land for the college in the vicinity of Jirid Tepe, with the expectation that later the college will be moved to that site and also that it is the expectation of the Trustees that this work of purchasing will go on until at least fifty acres is secured. I should think it would be well to secure at least that amount before having the matter openly discussed.

The question contained in yours of October 25th with reference to the delimitation of duties and responsibilities in Euphrates College needs more consideration than we were able to give it up to the time of the meeting this week. I doubt if our Board can accept or would be willing to accept the delimitations in full as adopted by the Board of Managers on the 23rd of October. The action taken at that time practically removes all power and responsibility from the president except as an agent for the Board of Managers in carrying out their conclusions and in the suspension and expulsion of those in the male department of the college. It practically separates the girls' department from the boys' department, making two institutions. This is quite a different arrangement than that which exists in American institutions of a similar character, and needs, as I have said, more careful consideration and further correspondence. It seems to me that we must consider whether or not we shall begin to recognize the separation of the female department from the male department of the college, looking ultimately to two separate and independent institutions. And second, shall the president of the college have the ordinary responsibilities resting upon presidents of similar institutions in this country. The Board of Managers and the President are co-ordinate bodies appointed by the Board of Trustees in America. Therefore it will probably rest with the Board of Trustees to defi ne

relations, although it was not felt hitherto that it was necessary. It seems also to me that too much responsibility is put upon the faculty in appointing the president who becomes, according to Article VII., the executor of the will of the faculty, rather than the head of the college. These are a few of the points that come to me as I look over the documents. I would like to hear from you a little further on the subject. On the other hand, there is much peril that too much responsibility given to the president may lead to the withdrawal of the Board of Managers from any sense of responsibility for the college and the withdrawal of interest on the part of the faculty in matters of discipline and the general work of the college. It would be unfortunate to have any rules adopted which would lose to the president the advantage and help of an effective and united Board of Managers and of a strongly-supporting, responsibility-bearing faculty. We need to steer closely between these two difficulties.

We are getting some subscriptions on the $2000 plan, but the amount is not yet made up in full.

I have already written of my keen disappointment over the postponement of the trip to Turkey, but nothing else seemed wise now.

Very faithfully yours,

(Signed) James L. Barton

JLB/EBB

January 18, 1912.

Mr. Hagop Bogigian,
31 Beacon Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Bogigian:-

Mr. Wiggin has handed me your note with reference to the price of land near and about Jirid Tepe, between Husenik and Mesereh. From all I have been able to learn I think your inquiries have led you to the right conclusion. I did not expect that we would have to pay $50. an acre. I stated, as you will perhaps recall, that over on the other side of Mesereh, much nearer the city and in the vicinity toward which the city is growing, that was what was paid two or three years ago, but I would not be surprised if a part of this land now under consideration could be secured for less than $25. an acre. I have written this to Harpoot and have suggested to President Riggs that he take your brother into his confidence with reference to this whole matter, and I am sure we can all rely upon his friendliness and good judgment. We shall undoubtedly be much dependent upon him.

I want to express my own personal appreciation for this magnificent offer. It enables us to put down a stake now for Euphrates College which will practically determine its entire future. No longer shall we be in a cramped, huddled up condition on the side of a mountain. At the same time we shall

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

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be in closer touch with a vastly increased population, as students can easily come to this new contemplated site daily from Mosereh, Husenik and several other villages, to say nothing of Harpoot.

I know you are not doing this for me, but do you know that I have become so identified with Euphrates College because of my deep personal interest in it, growing up out of seven years of residence there, that it seems almost like a personal institution to me. Whatever injures it I feel almost as if it was a personal injury to me, and whatever pushes it forward and gives it a new start, I cannot but feel a personal interest in that too. I am sure you will get great satisfaction from your gift. I know that what you are doing for the college will make it into a new institution and give it a mighty impulse toward a supremacy commanded today by no college in Turkey, not excepting Robert College or the Syrian Protestant College at Beirut. We will not have to build at Harpoot the buildings that are being put up in Constantinople for Robert College and the American College for Girls, where $100,000 and more goes into a single building. I am a firm believer in the policy of economy, and I do not believe that we need to put money into ornamentation and display, and I am very glad to know your own judgment agrees with this.

I remain

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/E

January 20, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

The enclosed statement on the deposit account from Treasurer Ward of Euphrates College calls for a remittance of £T.100 on the deposit account besides the regular monthly remittance. I hope we shall be able to make the full amount of the remittance for this month, which I trust we shall be able to increase a little later through special gifts which I hope will come in.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton, Sec'y.

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January 19, 1912.

Mrs. Wolcott H. Johnson,
7 Commonwealth Avenue,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mrs. Johnson:-

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of Euphrates College Funds, I want to express to you our deep sympathy and our own sense of profound loss in the translation from earth of Mr. Johnson. I write this not only as the secretary of the Board of Trustees of which Mr. Johnson has been for some time a faithful member, but also as a friend who has known your husband only to admire and honor him. He was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of Euphrates College Funds in 1906 and during the five years since his election he has been a faithful and honored member of the Board.

On behalf of the entire membership of the Board of Trustees, as well as the officers and members of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, I wish to express our sympathy for you, and our profound appreciation of his great worth and high service.

I remain

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton Secy.

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January 26, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,

115 Devonshire Street, Boston.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose receipts covering the remittances received from I believe including everything up to date. Please let me know if everything is not correct.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton
Sec'y.

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January 26, 1912.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

Your favor of December 20th came to hand a few days ago, containing the deposit account for November, in accordance with the usual custom. I enclose herewith three drafts on Messrs. Baring Brothers & Co. Ltd., of London,

1st:- No.78522, for £100 Stg., to cover the £T.100 paid by you on deposit, as per report.

2d:- No.78524, for £175 Stg., to cover deposit account of Mrs. H. N. Barnum for £T.188.63; any balance remaining to go to the regular expense account of the college.

3d:- No.78525, for £60.Stg., toward the regular expenses of the college.

This makes a total of £335 Stg., to cover £T.288.63 on deposit account and all the balance to go to the regular college expenses.

Rev. Henry H. Riggs and Mrs. H. N. Barnum have probably written you with reference to the £T.188.63, which is reported to be there in the treasury of the college to the credit of Mrs. Barnum. This remittance is made with the understanding that that amount stands to the credit of Mrs. Barnum in the college deposit account; otherwise, only so much of this amount sent as covers Mrs. Barnum's deposit is to be used for that purpose. Mrs. Barnum and Mr. Riggs will write as to the use of this fund for the purchase of land on

Mr. W. E. D. Ward--2

or near Jerid Tepe for the new site of the college. All these drafts are made payable to your order.

We have been in the habit of sending out on the deposit account drafts in pounds sterling, with of course the understanding that only pounds Turkish should be credited to the account there and all balance going to the regular and general expenses of the college. 1912.

To the Trustees of Euphrates College Funds:

We shall wait anxiously to hear from you as to how your health is during this winter and spring. I cannot yet bring myself to feel that we should take your resignation to the Prudential Committee, although we want you to feel that you have perfect liberty and right to come home any time this spring or summer when it seems to you that your state of health makes it necessary. We do not want you to take risks.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

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nite promise from a wealthy Armenian in this country to pay for in addition to the 60 acres we were planning to buy, which will make the entire field to be purchased for the college 160 acres. I have this promise from the Armenian in writing. If Mr. Riggs at Harpoot is able to get his $1000 and if the land does not cost more than $30 an acre, which is not expected, we have in hand now funds sufficient and good pledges to pay for the entire 160 acres. There will undoubtedly be no call upon the treasury for any appropriation authorized.

I have to report the sad news of the death on January 15th of a member of this corporation, Mr. Wolcott Johnson, who was elected

a member of this Board of Trustees in 1906. Mr. Johnson has usually been present at the meetings of the Board and will be greatly missed. He was a member of the Old South Church and of the firm of C. F. Hovey & Company, and leaves a wife and two or three children. 1 Devonshire Street,

Boston, Massachusetts.

January 26, 1912.

To the Trustees of Euphrates College Funds:

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

You will recall that at the last meeting of the Board of Trustees of Euphrates College it was voted to proceed with the purchase of a new site for the college at the foot of the hill which was designated by Ex-President H. H. Riggs as Jirid Tepe, and an appropriation not to exceed $1200 was made, if necessary, for the purchase of fifty to sixty acres of land for the purpose. I am glad now to be able to inform you that we have already received $830 toward the purchase of this land, which is in addition to something like $1000 that President Riggs at Harpoot felt sure that he would be able to get for the purpose. I have also received a definite promise from a wealthy Armenian in this country to pay for 100 acres in addition to the 60 acres we were planning to buy, which will make the entire field to be purchased for the college 160 acres. I have this promise from the Armenian in writing. If Mr. Riggs at Harpoot is able to get his $1000 and if the land does not cost more than $30 an acre, which is not expected, we have in hand now funds sufficient and good pledges to pay for the entire 160 acres. There will undoubtedly be no call upon the treasury for any appropriation authorized.

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Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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My dear Mr. Monroe,

I enclose the monthly statement of the Deposit Account of Euphrates College for December, 1911, showing that there have been no new deposits taken in and none paid. Will you kindly therefore hand me the remittance due to the College? I hope you will be able to send £.00 Sterling. We expect some additional remittances in before long.

Faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

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February 14, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the monthly statement of Deposit Account of Euphrates College for December, 1911, showing that there have been no new deposits taken in and none paid. Will you kindly therefore hand me the remittance due to the College? I hope you will be able to send £.80 Sterling. We expect some additional remittances in before long.

Faithfully yours,

James L. Barton Sec.

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February 16, 1912.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward, Treas.,
Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Brothers & Co., Limited, of London, payable to your order, No.78537, for £80.Stg., which you will kindly credit to the Euphrates College account.

I am able to report now that it looks as if the same appropriation would be made from the Higher Educational Fund for the purposes of the College as was made this year.

There is time but for this brief note today. The new college catalogue has been sent out to you, and Mr. Riggs is making wide use of it here in cultivating his constituency. Not a great deal of money has come in yet in response to the appeal, but we have some pledges and we hope soon to have more.

Very sincerely yours,
Faithfully yours,
James L. Barton

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March 5, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

March 21, 1912.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

The enclosed bill is for the new catalogue of Euphrates College, authorized by the Trustees, a copy of which has already reached you. Mr. Riggs made the contract and oversaw all the arrangements, and I enclose herewith the bill O.K'd by him and by myself. The work was carried on through our own Publishing Department, so the bill was made out to the American Board and a part of the payments, as you will notice, were made from our treasury, as for the cuts and postage. Will you kindly send check for the $120.61? I think this will be a good investment for the College.

JLB/E

Very sincerely yours,

Enclosure.

James L. Barton

James L. Barton Sec'y

Enclosure

March 21, 1912.

Mr. Charles E. Kelsey,
Youth's Companion Building,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Kelsey:-

The enclosed document has just come to me. I pass this on to you as Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/E

Enclosure.

April 4, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the February statement from the Treasurer of Euphrates College, showing that a £.T.186.64 on the deposit account have been paid, for which a remittance was made by you under date of January 26th. This makes the total liabilities of the fund on the deposit account up to the last of February £.T.236.11. There was no remittance of January. This deposit statement covers of course all the liabilities, including January, therefore will you kindly send me draft for two months' remittance, or £.160 Sterling.

A letter just received from Treasurer Ward states that he hopes in a few weeks to make a definite accounting of the finances of the College.

P.S. I enclose herewith for your files the Deposit Statement from Treasurer Ward for January.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton Sec'y

Enclosure

Boston, April 8, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose receipts for your First of Exchange for £.180-11-6, received on Saturday -$100, or £.20-11-6. a remittance to Professor Nahigian from funds in your hand; and the balance, £.160, for the regular work of the College.

I enclose the statement which you send, wanted by the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland, for the continuation of your Bond.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

P.S. I enclose herewith for your files the Deposit Statement from Treasurer Ward for January. Everything has been attended to.

Enclosures

Boston, April 8, 1912.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,
Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I have yours of March 7th, containing the report for the College for the month of February. I was greatly chagrined to find that the remittance for January was not made. It was due wholly to my own mistake and not to that of the Treasurer.

I herewith enclose First of Exchange on Baring Bros. & Co., Ltd., of London, No.78570, for £.180-11-6 Stg. £.20-11-6, the equivalent of $100. (the Sterling being $4.86) is a remittance to Professor Nahigian on his personal account, from funds in the hands of Treasurer Monroe; the balance, £.160 Stg., is for the regular work of the College. I hope this will be perfectly clear and satisfactory except for the delay in the previous remittance, but perhaps you will not have been hard pressed for funds since the tuition money for January will have come in and may have tided you over. This may be more valuable coming as it does now. I sincerely hope so.

I hope the previous letters with reference to your remaining on at Harpoot have come and that everything is satisfactory. It is gratifying to get farther reports of your improving health. I am becoming convinced that the next two years there in Harpoot will be the most valuable of your whole five.

I remain, with sincere appreciation and cordial regards,
Faithfully yours,

Enclosure

April 23, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose a few checks which have come in, in response to the appeal made by Mr. Riggs and myself for Euphrates College. In order to save your time I am also enclosing receipts, which if you will kindly sign and return to me I will enclose in letters to the donors. The remittances are as follows:-

(Uses of College)	Mrs. Mary Leeds Adams, 1614 Summer Street, Poughkeepsie, N.Y.	$2.00
"	Mrs. Eliza A. Freeman, 49 Irving St., S.Framingham, Mass.	2.00
"	Harriet C. Leete, 1220 Chapel Street, New Haven, Conn.	1.50
(Current expenses)	Mrs. Edwin Barrows, 38 Olin Street, Providence, R.I.	10.00
(For endowment fund)	Mr. Harry S. Zimmerman, 86 North Oxford St., Brooklyn, N.Y.	2.00
(Current expenses)	Mr. John B. Garrett, Rosemont, Penn.	5.00
(New buildings & equipment)	Mrs. Elisha G. Woodward, 8 Oakland Avenue, Winter Hill, Mass.	5.00
(New buildings & equipment, and endowment)	Miss Lillian Mather, Geneseo, Illinois	2.00

Sincerely yours,

Francis E. Clark

P.S. How would it do to have a receipt printed for use in such cases, with the name of the College on it, and then printed underneath your name the words, "Treasurer of the Euphrates College Funds." I should think it would be a good thing and well worth while.

Boston, April 24, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

Since writing to you yesterday the enclosed checks have come in:-

Mrs. Sarah L. Wood, 240 Court Street, Keene, N.H.,
(for endowment fund) $50.00

Mr. Horatio W. Brown, P.O.Box 236, Wooster, Ohio,
(for uses of the College) $10.00

Is this method of transmitting to you quite satisfactory? We are trying to reduce your work to a minimum. You will notice that some of these gifts are for endowment fund; others for current expenses.

I hold Power of Attorney for Mr. Riggs to sign checks for him.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Boston, April 24, 1912

S. E. Crosby,
660 Main Street,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

My dear Friend:

I appreciate your note of the 20th inst., in response to the appeal for a contribution for Euphrates College. I want to assure you that your interest and sympathy, even if you are not able to make a contribution, is most highly appreciated. We know quite well that one cannot contribute to all the objects that appeal, and I urge of you not to allow the appeal that has come to you to trouble you in any way.

I am taking the liberty of mailing you under another cover the copy of the leaflet of the College recently printed, but please do not regard this as an appeal.

Very gratefully yours,

Faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, April 24, 1912.

Mrs. Harriet C. Leete,
1220 Chapel Street,
New Haven, Connecticut.

My dear Mrs. Leete:

I want to thank you for your kind favor of the 18th inst., enclosing check for $1.50 as a contribution and help to Euphrates College. I can hardly tell you how I appreciate this gift. Such a gift in the spirit that you manifest is worth more to us here in the courage that it imparts than a hundred times the amount given with the spirit of indifference. May the Lord bless you abundantly for this.

I enclose the Treasurer's receipt.

I am taking the liberty of sending you under another cover a recent leaflet of the College.

Very gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

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Very gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

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Boston, April 24, 1912.

Mrs. Edwin Barrows,
39 Olin Street,
Providence, Rhode Island.

My dear Mrs. Barrows:

Please accept my most sincere thanks for your kind favor of the 17th inst., enclosing check for ten dollars for the work of Euphrates College. I take pleasure in acknowledging this gift and in enclosing herewith the receipt of the Treasurer for the same. This gift will accomplish much in Turkey in the line of building up a permanent the Christian civilization for that disturbed and needy Empire. May the Lord add his blessing to the gift and to the giver.

I am taking the liberty of sending you under another cover a recent leaflet of the College, and remain,

Very gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, April 24, 1912.

Mr. Harry S. Zimmerman,
86 North Oxford Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Mr. Zimmerman:

I want to thank you for your favor of the 22d, enclosing check for two dollars to increase the endowment fund of Euphrates College. I enclose our Treasurer's receipt for the same and am glad of this opportunity of expressing to you my own deep appreciation and to give you the assurance that this money will be of more value far to the work of the College than you anticipate. A little money goes a long way in Turkey in paying the salaries of teachers and in supporting pupils.

I am taking the liberty of sending you under another cover a recent pamphlet of the College.

Gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, April 24, 1912.

Mrs. F. S. Adams,
1614 Summer Street,
Philadelphia, Penn.

My dear Mrs. Adams:

It gives me great personal gratification to acknowledge your favor of the 16th inst., enclosing check for two dollars for the work of Euphrates College. While this gift may seem small to you it nevertheless multiplies at least ten fold when it reaches Harpoot because of the lower prices there for everything. It will do much more good than you anticipate, and we trust that it will be followed by the blessing of God and that you will receive real gratification through the gift.

I am taking the liberty of sending you under another cover the recent pamphlet of the College.

Very gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, April 24, 1912.

Miss Lillian Mather,
Geneseo, Illinois.

My dear Miss Mather:

It gives me great pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your kind favor enclosing two dollars for the work of Euphrates College, one dollar for the endowment fund and one for new buildings and equipment. This money will go much farther in Harpoot than you imagine and will accomplish vastly more. I want to express my own personal appreciation of this gift.

I am sending you under another cover the new College pamphlet.

Very gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, April 24, 1912.

Mrs. Eliza A. Freeman,
49 Irving Street,
South Framingham, Mass.

My dear Mrs. Freeman:

Allow me to thank you personally for your favor of the 16th inst., containing a check for $2.00 for the work of Euphrates College. I can assure you that this gift will not come amiss.

We realize the great number of appeals that come from all possible sources and appreciate the more this gift which you have made.

I enclose the Treasurer's receipt, and am sending you under another cover a copy of a recent leaflet of the College.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, April 24, 1912.

Mrs. Elisha G. Woodward,
8 Oakland Avenue,
Winter Hill, Mass.

My dear Mrs. Woodward:

I thank you much for your kind favor, just received, enclosing check for five dollars for the work of Euphrates College at Harpoot. This gift will accomplish much more than you anticipate, and we trust that you will follow it with your interest, sympathy and prayer, that it may be used of God as the loaves and the fishes were used on the shore of Galilee to feed the great multitude.

I enclose the Treasurer's receipt, and am sending you under another cover the recent circular of the College.

Very gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, April 24, 1912.

Mr. John B. Garrett,

Rosemont, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Garrett:

I thank you much for your kind favor, just received, enclosing check for five dollars for the work of Euphrates College at Harpoot. This gift will accomplish much more than you anticipate, and we trust that you will follow it with your interest, sympathy and prayer, that it may be used of God as the loaves and the fishes were used on the shore of Galilee to feed the great multitude.

I enclose the Treasurer's receipt, and am sending you under another cover the recent circular of the College.

Very gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

I am taking the liberty of sending you under another cover a recent catalogue of the College.

I enclose the receipt of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees.

Enclosure

Gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

Boston, April 24, 1912.

Mr. H. M. Gulesian,
41 Ames Building,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Gulesian:

I want to express my own deep appreciation of your gift of twenty-five dollars to Mr. Riggs for the work of Euphrates College at Harpoot. It touched my heart. This is an important time in the College and in Turkey, as you so well know, and it is of supreme importance that we strengthen the College that it may meet more adequately the demand placed upon it. We must give our students a better technical training and prepare them for a larger service for Turkey, as industries open, railroads and wagon roads are built, and mines are developed. This $25 will go a long way at this time in giving substantial help. I want to express my own personal appreciation as well as the appreciation of the Trustees.

I am taking the liberty of sending you under another cover a recent catalogue of the College. I enclose the receipt of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees.

Gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, April 24, 1912.

Mrs. E. F. Farwell,

Hyde Park, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. Farwell,

I thank you much for your kind favor, just received, enclosing check for five dollars for the work of Euphrates College at Harpoot. This gift will accomplish much more than you anticipate, and we trust that you will follow it with your interest, sympathy and prayer, that it may be used of God as the loaves and the fishes were used on the shore of Galilee to feed the great multitude.

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James L. Barton

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Very gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

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Boston, April 24, 1912.

Mr. Elmer Walker,

Sandpatch, Pennsylvania. (Route #1)

My dear Mr. Walker:

I thank you much for your kind favor, just received, enclosing check for one dollar for the work of Euphrates College at Harpoot. This gift will accomplish much more than you anticipate, and we trust that you will follow it with your interest, sympathy and prayer, that it may be used of God as the loaves and the fishes were used on the shore of Galilee to feed the great multitude.

I enclose the Treasurer's receipt, and am sending you under another cover the recent circular of the College.

Very gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure.

Boston, April 24, 1912.

Boston, April 24, 1912.

Mrs. Sarah L. Wood,
240 Court Street,
Keene, New Hampshire.

My dear Mrs. Wood:

I have just received this morning your kind favor of the 23d inst., enclosing check for fifty dollars ($50) for the endowment fund of Euphrates College. I want to thank you most sincerely for this. I enclose our Treasurer's receipt, and assure you that this money will accomplish vastly more for Euphrates College than it could possibly do for any educational institution in this country. That College stands at the center of Christian education for Eastern Turkey. In it gathers the hope and expectation of the Christian civilization of that part of the Empire. It is a powerful institution, with which I myself have been personally connected.

Mr. Riggs has just started for New York, to sail tomorrow back to his work in Turkey.

I remain,

Most sincerely and gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

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Boston, April 24, 1912.

Mr. Horatio W. Brown,
P.O.Box 236,
Wooster, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Brown:

Allow me gratefully to acknowledge your kind favor of the 22d inst., containing check for ten dollars for the uses of Euphrates College. This money will accomplish much more in Turkey than you can possibly imagine. It seems to us that it will accomplish the most good just now in meeting immediate needs, but it will go farther than eight or ten times that amount would in an American institution. The College is doing a royal work in saving that country from infidelity, anarchy and disorder, and must stand as a center of Christian education for Eastern Turkey. In it gathers the hope and expectation of the Christian civilization of that part of the Empire. I enclose our Treasurer's receipt.

I am very glad to send you under another cover a pamphlet on the College recently issued.

Very gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

April 26, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

In Dr. Barton's absence let me acknowledge yours of April 25th, with the Indemnity Bond enclosed. This will be held pending Dr. Barton's return to the office next Monday.

Very truly yours,

Enoch F. Bell

Home heavy away for several days

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, April 29, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I have just returned to the office and find here yours of the 25th inst., enclosing the Treasurer's Bond, which I will hold here in our vault, unless for some reason the Finance Committee would like to hold the same.

I also enclose the Deposit Account of Treasurer Ward for the month of March, showing that no deposits have been paid or taken. This will call for the regular remittance of £80. I will confer with you a little later with reference to sending the special gifts that are now coming in.

I will send you down some more checks just as soon as we can get them into shape.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Have been away for several days

Enclosure

Mr. Monroe--2

I am enclosing a receipt for £.80 Stg., Bill of Exchange, just received for transmission to the College Treasurer at Harpoot.

I have also a bill covering the expense of this appeal, amounting to $33.34. This covers I believe all of the expense of the appeal except a previous printing bill which Mr. Riggs presented to you and for which you paid him. If you will send a check for $33.34 to me I will settle the bill with the American Board, from which we have [illegible]

May 2, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

James L. Barton

I enclose checks and cash, as follows, for contributions recently received for the purposes of the College, as indicated below:

Miss Azniv Beshgeturian, 14 Harvard Ave., Dorchester,
(For endowment fund) $5.00

Mr. Hermann C. Gruhnert, 118 William St., Orange, N.J.
(For endowment fund) 2.00

Mr. Diekran Aharonian, P.O.Box 59, Lawrence, Mass.
(For new buildings and equipment) 5.00

Mrs. C. A. Boynton, South Hill Ave., Sta.B., Pasadena, Calif. (For new buildings and equipment) 5.00

For current expenses:-

Mrs. George Parsons, 1033 Madison Avenue, New York 100.00

R. L. Snow, 190 Hamilton Street, Cambridge, Mass. 10.00

Mr. R. Y. Russell, 101 Marlboro Street, Chelsea, Mass. 5.00

Mrs. David Atwood, Cambridge, Mass. 5.00

Mr. A. D. Stewart, Houtzdale, Penn. 5.00

Mr. A. Polhemus, Newton Center, Mass. 5.00

I am also enclosing receipts, fully made out, which you will kindly sign and return to me. I am sending these to the donors.

Mr. Monroe--2

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Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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Faithfully and cordially yours

James L. Barton

Enclosure

May 2, 1912.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,
Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

Yours was received with the report on the Deposit Account for March, and I enclose herewith Kidder, Peabody & Co.,'s draft on Baring Brothers & Co., Ltd., First of Exchange, No.78583, for £.80 Sterling, the remittance for April.

We are getting in some more special funds, but not in large sums. We are rather in hopes that we shall soon receive a clear statement as to the financial condition of the College.

We shall wait with interest to hear farther reports as to what your decision is with reference to remaining on. Mr. and Mrs. Riggs and Mrs. Barnum sailed from New York last week on Thursday, the 25th. They will be very near Harpoot by the time this reaches you.

Faithfully and cordially yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, May 3, 1912.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

Yours of April 3d came in a little over three weeks. I always read your letters with great eagerness because of the many questions of deep interest that gather around Euphrates College at this time and the Harpoot station.

I have no list of those to whom your brother has sent the new college pamphlet. He will be able to give you the list when he reaches there, but I am following your suggestion and having copies sent to each station of all of the Turkish missions, and am also having another package sent you, as you request. Your brother and I have just sent out an appeal (both of us signing the appeal) to a list of over 700 people that your brother had collected. The returns are not coming in very rapidly. We have received already enough to pay several times over the cost of the appeal. I fear that it was not especially a gilt-edged list, but we can never estimate the value of such an appeal by the immediate returns.

I note what you say about inviting to the College, Marderos Ananikian. I know that Ananikian is highly spoken of by the faculty of the Seminary, as a man of ability and good judgment. I do not know him personally except in a speaking way. I think you would make no mistake in inviting him back there as a member of the faculty of

Euphrates College, but I do not know his special qualifications. I shall be down there during the month and will try to see him and find out more about him. As to the matter of salary, etc., I can give you no judgment, but I am convinced that we must not begin to engage men on the faculty on the understanding that their salary is to be raised as a special outside sum. That would simply bring us face to face with disaster. It seems to me that if he comes he must come as a regular member of the faculty, paid from the regular funds, and then whatever added sums we can secure by whatever appeals we can put forth we will use to increase the regular funds of the College. You will save Mr. Margot's salary, and that I should judge would be enough, if not more than enough, for Ananikian. I realize the difficulty of the whole salary question. It is one that is always with us, and I suppose always will be. I doubt if the plan of giving him a salary from the regular funds of the College and then having extra outside money raised for him would help the matter. When the fact became known we should find the situation very trying, I fear, in the College.

I am interested in the German question. More and more I am convinced, from everything that comes from Harpoot and the Central Turkey Mission, that any plan of cooperation which your brother and I might have drawn up and solemnly and seriously signed in Frankfort last summer, would have been worth nothing and would have been a source of trouble and confusion rather than of help. Let us hear as soon as you make any purchase of land.

Your brother will be there about the time this letter arrives. We will be better able to consider college finances when we have a balance sheet showing just the status of the college. I take it for granted that the regular expenses now of the college are well within

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs--3

the regular receipts, so that you are not running behind.

Your brother went off in good spirits. We shall wait anxiously to hear how Mrs. Barnum stands the journey. She certainly started away cheerfully and hopefully and longing to be back.

Very faithfully yours,

Mr. F. L. Hopkins,
37 Great Jones Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Hopkins:

I thank you for your courteous note of the 30th of April, in response to the appeal for Euphrates College. We appreciate your interest, if you are not able to contribute, and I have known, as the chairman of the Executive Committee of Miss Wheeler's work, of your support of an orphan at Marsovan.

I am sending you under another cover a copy of the last pamphlet about the College, in which I believe your orphan is now studying.

We are glad of your interest, I assure you, and remain,

Most faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

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James L. Barton

Boston, May 2, 1912.

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Most faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Boston, May 2, 1912.

Mrs. Ralph T. Cutter,
219 Clinton Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Mrs. Cutter:

I thank you for your kind note of the 27th, in response to the appeal of Mr. Riggs for a contribution for the work of Euphrates College. I was myself for some years personally connected with the College and know that its fundamental aim is to train up young men for Christian service. The first motto of the College is, "Every boy and every girl a Christian," and the second is like unto it, "Every Christian a better Christian." To that end the College works, and it has for its fundamental purpose the Christianizing of all that part of the Turkish Empire. It occupies a most crucial position and exerts a mighty influence to that end.

I am sending you under another cover the printed leaflet of the College.

Faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

May 2, 1912.

Miss Azniv Beshgeturian,
14 Harvard Avenue,
Dorchester, Mass.

My dear Miss Beshgeturian:

I want to acknowledge with gratitude your kind favor, recently received, enclosing check for five dollars to increase the endowment fund of Euphrates College. You know, as few others can, what the College is doing, not only for the Armenians but for that entire part of the Turkish Empire. The slip will be sent to Mr. Riggs, who is now on his way back to Harpoot, and you will hear from him directly, I have no doubt. I hope you will keep in close relations with the College.

I enclose the Treasurer's receipt for the money sent, and am sending you under another cover a pamphlet of the College.

Most gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

May 2, 1912.

Mr. Hermann C. Gruhnert,
Orange, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. Gruhnert:

Allow me to acknowledge with great gratitude your kind favor, just received, enclosing two dollars for the endowment fund for Euphrates College, in response to the appeal recently sent out. This gift will accomplish much more for the College than you are aware, owing to the difference in prices and wages. I do not believe there is a place in all the world where the same amount of money will accomplish more for building up the Kingdom and establishing Christian civilization in a desperately needy country than right there in Harpoot. We do appreciate your interest and help.

I enclose the Treasurer's receipt for the money sent and am sending you under another cover a pamphlet of the College.

Most gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

May 2, 1912.

Mr. Dickran Aharonian,
Post Office Box 59,
Lawrence, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Aharonian:

I appreciate more than I can express your contribution of five dollars for Euphrates College. You know the College and the splendid work it is doing. I rejoice more than I can express in the loyalty of its former students. We believe that the College is going to forge to the front in a way in which its fondest friends have never dreamed. It is a source of gratification to us all that the Alumni Association is standing so loyally by.

I enclose the receipt of the Treasurer for the money sent. You will hear directly from Mr. Riggs. The slip will be sent to him.

Under another cover I am sending you a catalogue of the College.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

James L. Barton

Boston, May 2, 1912.

Mrs. C. A. Boynton,
South Hill Avenue, Station B,
Pasadena, California.

My dear Mrs. Boynton:

Allow me to acknowledge with great gratitude your kind favor, just received, enclosing five dollars for new buildings and equipment for Euphrates College, in response to the appeal recently sent out. This gift will accomplish much more for the College than you are aware, owing to the difference in prices and in wages. I do not believe there is a place in all the world where the same amount of money will accomplish more for building up the Kingdom and establishing Christian civilization in a desperately needy country than right there in Harpoot. We do appreciate your interest and help.

I enclose the Treasurer's receipt for the money sent, and I am sending you under another cover a pamphlet of the College.

Most gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

Again allow me to acknowledge with gratitude your gift, and I myself have spent years in Euphrates College and know it from center to circumference.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

May 2, 1912.

Mrs. George Parsons,
1033 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Parsons:

It gives me great pleasure personally and officially to acknowledge your kind favor enclosing check for one hundred dollars for the purposes of Euphrates College, in response to the appeal sent you. You can hardly imagine what a throb of joy it gives us to receive such a contribution just at this time when the College is in the midst of the tremendous struggle against the forces of evil battling for the possession of that land, and when every opportunity is opening before us to win the conflict if we can only strengthen our forces now.

I am enclosing our Treasurer's receipt for your gift, and am also sending you under another cover the printed pamphlet of the College. I know of no educational institution in the world more strategically located than is this College. Its history has been a noble one, with continuous advance in strength and in influence from its organization until the present hour. It has a great circle of friends, ever widening, and I believe we shall yet see a victory won there that will make its power felt in the whole Turkish Empire.

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Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

May 2, 1912.

Mr. R. L. Snow,
190 Hamilton Street,
Cambridge, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Snow:

It was very kind in you to write the most encouraging and helpful note that you did, under date of April 25, enclosing the check for ten dollars for Euphrates College. I thank you for your good letter and for your interest in this work. What great changes you have seen in the mission field and in the progress of the Kingdom during your long life of helpful service. We appreciate that in the midst of the many calls upon you, and with your limited resources, you have felt able to make so generous a contribution for this object. It will accomplish vastly more than you can imagine in a country where wages and the cost of living are low. Euphrates College is making a tremendous fight against the evil forces that are battling for the control of that land which stands for Christianity and civilization and is there to win out.

I enclose the Treasurer's receipt, and am sending you under another cover a catalogue of the College.

Most gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

May 2, 1912.

Mr. R. Y. Russell,
101 Marlboro Street,
Chelsea, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Russell:

Allow me to acknowledge with great gratitude your kind favor, just received, enclosing five dollars for Euphrates College, in response to the appeal recently sent out. This gift will accomplish much more for the College than you are aware, owing to the difference in prices and in wages. I do not believe there is a place in all the world where the same amount of money will accomplish more for building up the Kingdom and establishing Christian civilization in a desperately needy country than right there in Harpoot. We do appreciate your interest and help.

I enclose the Treasurer's receipt for the money sent and am sending you under another cover a pamphlet of the college.

Most gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

May 2, 1912.

Mrs. David Atwood,
Cambridge, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. Atwood:

Allow me to acknowledge with great gratitude your kind favor, just received, enclosing five dollars for Euphrates College, in response to the appeal recently sent out. This gift will accomplish much more for the College than you are aware, owing to the difference in prices and in wages. I do not believe there is a place in all the world where the same amount of money will accomplish more for building up the Kingdom and establishing Christian civilization in a desperately needy country than right there in Harpoot. We do appreciate your interest and help.

I enclose the Treasurer's receipt for the money sent, and am sending you under another cover a pamphlet of the College.

Most gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

May 2, 1912.

Mr. A. D. Stewart,

Houtzdale, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Stewart:

Allow me to acknowledge with great gratitude your kind favor, just received, enclosing five dollars for Euphrates College, in response to the appeal recently sent out. This gift will accomplish much more for the College than you are aware, owing to the difference in prices and in wages. I do not believe there is a place in all the world where the same amount of money will accomplish more for building up the Kingdom and establishing Christian civilization in a desperately needy country than right there in Harpoot. We do appreciate your interest and help.

I enclose the Treasurer's receipt for the money sent, and am sending you under another cover a pamphlet of the College.

Most gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

May 2, 1912.

Mr. A. Polhemus,
Newton Center, Mass.

My dear Mr. Polhemus:

I signed those appeals for Euphrates College without reading, except in a very few instances, the names of the parties to whom they were addressed. The appeal was prepared for a list which ex-President Riggs had made up, and I consented to join with him in a final appeal just before he sailed. I did not know that your name was on the list, and I hope you will not regard me as taking any undue advantage of you, a personal friend and fellow church member, by sending the appeal to you. At the same time, I want to say that your gift will be of far more value in Turkey than you are aware, as a little money goes a long way in that country. Euphrates College is battling with the situation and is doing it nobly.

I enclose the Treasurer's receipt for the five dollars you sent, and am sending you under another cover a pamphlet of the College.

Faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

May 4, 1912.

Mr. Charles E. Kelsey,
Youth's Companion Office,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Kelsey:-

I have in my possession a renewed bond for $20,000 for the treasurer of Euphrates College Funds. It is in a box in the fire-proof vault here in the American Board office. Do you wish me to keep it here or to send it to you?

I await your order.

Faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Kindly return the receipts, donors.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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May 7, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire St.,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

I enclose the receipt of our Treasurer for the $33.34 which you sent, closing the account with the recent appeal which Mr. Riggs sent out just before sailing.

I also enclose a few more checks and receipts as follows:

Mr. George F. Wheeler, Concord, Mass. (for current expenses) $ 1.00

Mr. John B. Curry, Swatara Station, Pa. (for current expenses) 10.00

Mr. Abraham Reichen, R.F.D. 2, Beaverton, Oregon, (for Current expenses) 10.00

Kindly return the receipts. I am writing the donors.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Most sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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May 6, 1912.

Mr. George F. Wheeler,

Concord, Mass.

My dear Mr. Wheeler:-

I thank you for your gift for Euphrates College. This gift will go very much further for the college than you are aware and will accomplish more. We appreciate your gift most keenly.

I enclose the receipt of the Treasurer and am sending you under another cover a copy of the latest printed pamphlet of the college and its work. This will give you some idea of the great field it occupies and the special opportunity now open before it.

Most sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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May 6, 1912.

Mr. John B. Curry,
Swatara Station,
Dauphin Co., Pa.

My dear Mr. Curry:-

I gratefully acknowledge your kind favor enclosing check for Ten dollars ($10) for the current expenses of Euphrates College. I want to express my profound appreciation of this gift. It will mean vastly more for the college than you are aware. Ten dollars will pay the salary for a month for one of the under-teachers, and is one-third of the salary of a full native professor for a month. I know of no college or institution in the East that stands more for righteousness and order and Christian civilization than Euphrates College.

I am taking the liberty of sending you under another cover a recent pamphlet on the college which will give further information.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

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May 9, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire St.,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

Enclosed herewith are two more checks for the Euphrates College fund from

Mrs. Lucy G. Beebe, Vernon, N. Y.
(for current expenses) $ 3.00

Mr. Hiram A. Scriver, 328 Central Ave.,
Minneapolis, Minn., to be credited
to First Congregational Church
Minneapolis.
(for building & equipment) 25.00

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton
B.

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Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton
B.

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May 9, 1912.

Mrs. Lucy G. Beebe,
Vernon, New York.

My dear Mrs. Beebe:-

I gratefully acknowledge your kind favor enclosing check for Three dollars ($3) for the current expenses of Euphrates College. I want to express my profound appreciation of this gift. It will mean vastly more for the college than you are aware. I know of no college or institution in the East that stands more for righteousness and order and Christian civilization than Euphrates College.

I enclose herewith our treasurer's receipt, and am sending under another cover the most recent pamphlet of the college which will give further information.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton
B.

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James L. Barton
B.

May 8, 1912.

Mr. Abraham Reichen,
R.F.D. 2,
Beaverton, Oregon.

My dear Mr. Reichen:-

I gratefully acknowledge your kind favor enclosing check for Ten dollars ($10) for the current expenses of Euphrates College. I greatly appreciate this gift. It will mean vastly more for the college than you are aware.

I enclose herewith our treasurer's receipt, and am sending under another cover the most recent pamphlet of the college.

Very sincerely yours.

James L. Barton
B.

Enclosure

May 8, 1912.

Mr. Hiram A. Scriver,
328 Central Ave.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Scriver:-

Let me thank you for yours just received containing check for Twenty-five dollars ($25) for the new building and equipment for Euphrates College, Harpoot. I want to thank you for the generous gift and to assure you that it will be used with great care. The college has never been in a condition to do more for the country and the people of Turkey than it is today. It has never had such an opportunity for advance and never such a call to advance.

I enclose the treasurer's receipt for your gift and am taking the liberty of sending you under another cover the most recent pamphlet of the college. We note your desire to have this credited to the First Congregational Church at Minneapolis.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton
B.

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May 17, 1912.

Mr. John T. Monroe,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

I have just received a letter from President Riggs of Euphrates College in which he states that Professor Mahigian's funds and investments seem to be recorded in the name of "Prof. N. K. Mahigian". He says this is a mistake and it should be recorded, "Prof. Khachadoor K. Mahigian" and he would like to have your memorandum changed to that effect.

Professor Mahigian also requests "that the increment of his investments accrued to date be sent out to him." I assume that that means all of the increment that has accrued from the beginning. We can make the remittance when we next remit to the College.

Very sincerely yours,

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May 24, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire St.,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

I enclose bill for 500 blank receipt forms for Euphrates College. I think these are more satisfactory than the old receipts we used. You can use your rubber stamp on it if you wish or simply attach your signature as treasurer. I enclose receipt for the same.

I also enclose two more receipts for your signature with money order from

Miss Ruth Elmore, Santa Rosa, Cal.,
(for current expenses) $2.50

and from

Miss Alma L. McMatts, Rochester, N.Y.
(for current expenses) 1.00

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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May 25, 1912.

Miss Alma L. McMatts,
The Davenport, East Ave.,
Rochester, N. Y.

My dear Miss McMatts:-

I gratefully acknowledge the receipt of your gift of one dollar ($1.00) to be used for the current expenses of Euphrates College. I greatly appreciate this gift. It will mean vastly more for the college than you are aware.

I enclose herewith our treasurer's receipt, and am sending you under another cover the most recent pamphlet of the college.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton
P.

Enclosure.

May 25, 1912.

Miss Ruth E. Elmore,

Santa Rosa, California.

My dear Miss Elmore:-

I gratefully acknowledge the receipt of your gift of Two dollars and a half ($2.50) to be used for the current expenses of Euphrates College. I greatly appreciate this gift. It will mean vastly more for the college than you are aware.

I enclose herewith our treasurer's receipt, and am sending you under another cover the most recent pamphlet of the college.

Very sincerely yours,

Very sincerely yours,

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Enclosure

Boston, June 5, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the April statement of the Deposit Account of Euphrates College, showing no payments on deposits and no new deposits taken. Will you therefore kindly send me the regular remittance for the College and anything in addition from the special gifts that have come in which it may be convenient for you to send? The College will need this additional money now to help it tide over the period of laying in supplies during the summer.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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Boston, Mass.,June 10,1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Miss M. A. Carr, Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Ransom, Massachusetts.

My dear Miss Carr:

Your letter of June 4th, enclosing a post-office money order for $1.25 touched my heart most deeply. My first feeling was of regret that our appeal for Euphrates College should have gone to you, but when I finished reading the letter I felt a throb of satisfaction. The missionary work and an institution like Euphrates College will not succeed unless back of it all there are devoted hearts and praying souls. This gift that you have sent, although not very large - counting in the way that men count money - yet accompanied by your sympathy and interest and prayers may accomplish more in the on-going of the Kingdom of God in Turkey than all of the millions of John D. Rockefeller. The power is on your side and I want to thank you for the gift.

I enclose the receipt of the Treasurer for the money and am sending under another cover the catalogue of the College.

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Very sincerely and gratefully yours,

James L. Barton

Boston, June 12, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose a receipt for the £.300 Stg. just received, Bill of Exchange, to be forwarded to Harpoot, payable to W.E.D.Ward, Treas., I take it for granted that £220 of this is made up of special gifts that have been received during the year, £80 being the regular remittance. Will you kindly let me know if this understanding is not correct?

A letter just received from Treasurer Ward, dated May 15th, states that the $100 sent under date of April 8 for Professor Nahigian has been handed over to him. When he received it he wanted to know if there was no full statement of his account here in Boston. I do not understand that account myself but hope that it is perfectly clear to you. I judge from a letter received the other day that he would like to have all of the surplus sent to him and a statement as to just how his account stands. I am sorry to trouble you.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, June 12, 1912.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward, Treas.,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I am glad to enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Brothers & Co. Limited, of London, No.78614, for £300 Sterling. As I understand, £80 of this is for the regular remittance due on the May account, and the balance is made up of special funds that have been received from special gifts during the last few months. If there is any different understanding I will write you another letter; but this is the way it stands at present, so far as I am informed by the Treasurer. I am very glad that we can make this remittance now to tide the College over during the summer months when everything is going out, with nothing coming in.

I gratefully acknowledge yours of May 15th, just received. I am very glad to know that your health is improving and I thank you for the vote of the station and for all the reports that you give of how things are going there at Harpoot. I certainly see no reason why you should keep up language study unless there is a fair prospect of your remaining on in the work.

We have time to catch a delayed mail today, therefore I am sending this off at once in order that the check may reach there at the earliest date. I sincerely hope that you will be able to get us a true balance sheet of the financial status of the College before a great while.

Very faithfully yours, James L. Barton

July 13, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire St.,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

I enclose the deposit account statement for May for Euphrates College showing only one piastre as paid which, of course, need have no attention here.

Kindly send me remittance for May of Eighty pounds and I will forward at once.

Sincerely yours,

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July 16, 1912.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey.

My dear Mr. Ward:-

I enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Brothers & Co., Ltd., London, No. 78635 for eighty pounds sterling, the regular remittance for the use of the college for the month of May, your deposit statement having been duly received.

Very sincerely yours,

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Boston, August 15, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the monthly statement of the Deposit Account of Euphrates College for June, showing nothing given or taken. I shall be glad to send the regular monthly remittance, at your convenience. This has been delayed a week owing to my absence.

Very faithfully yours,

Enclosure

Very sincerely yours,

Boston, August 20, 1912.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward, Treas.,
Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Brothers & Co. Ltd., of London, No.78683, for £.80 Stg., the regular remittance for June.

I am writing some letters now with reference to the needs of the College, and I am hoping to get in some new special gifts.

The meeting of the Trustees will occur the latter part of September. I will put off the date as late as possible in order to give the fullest opportunity for receiving the financial statement as well as the report of the College and its work.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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Boston, September 7, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the July Deposit Statement of Euphrates College, showing no deposits taken or paid. I will forward the customary remittance as soon as you send it to me.

I also enclose a check for ten dollars ($10) from Mrs. F. C. Duncan, of Darlington, Wisconsin, for the current expenses of the College. If you will kindly sign the enclosed receipt for the same I will write the donor.

I have a financial statement from the College which I will bring down and go over with you, perhaps some time next week if you can spare the time. It looks as if there is some indebtedness, although they have cut the expenses down very materially during the last year. Can you figure out the amount of funds now in your possession that could be remitted to the College, (first) the balance of special gifts that have come in during the year; and (second) any accumulations in the receipts of the College which are not a part of the endowment fund?

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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Boston, September 9, 1912.

Mrs. F. C. Duncan,

Darlington, Wisconsin.

My dear Mrs. Duncan:

I want to thank you for the ten dollars, just received at your hand, for the current expenses of Euphrates College. I enclose the Treasurer's receipt for the same, and assure you that this money comes at a most opportune time and will be of far greater service to the College than you are aware. Ten dollars goes as far there as five times or perhaps eight times that amount in this country. The College is doing noble work and has opportunities opening before it for aggressive Christian teaching that it has never experienced before.

Very gratefully and sincerely yours,

Very sincerely yours,

Enclosure (1)

JHB/E

September 10, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

I am enclosing the following documents for your inspection. We will talk of these a little later. There are no duplicates in these documents. First, three annual statements of accounts of Euphrates College, one of 1909-10 marked A, for 1910-11 marked B, for 1911-12 marked C. Then a letter from President Riggs, dated August 13th, marked D; another letter from Treasurer Ward, of August 15th, marked E; followed by various analyses of accounts, marked F, G, H, I, J and K.

It is important that you have these documents in time to go through them carefully before the meeting of the Board of Trustees. I expect to see you before that meeting to talk over some of the questions that these documents raise.

Very sincerely yours,

Enclosure (11)

JLB/E

September 13, 1912.

Mr. Avedis M. Jamgochian,

Manchester, England.

My dear Mr. Jamgochian:

I am very glad now to be able to make a report to you as to the status of the Jamgochian Fund, on the books of the treasurer of the Trustees of Euphrates College Funds.

On September 1st, the fund, brought over from the year before, amounted to	$1630.50
To this has been added interest for the year	67.94
Making a total of the fund now carried over into the present year	$1698.44

I wish I could have opportunity to talk with you with reference to the situation at Harpoot. The movement toward Higher Education is general, as you well know, throughout Turkey, and our mission colleges stand at the center of that work. The position on the hill at Harpoot, hitherto occupied by Euphrates, has become so cramped that we cannot build the new buildings necessary for the enlargement of its work. We are now trying to purchase a site off from the hill. The exact location has not yet been settled upon; in fact, the whole movement is very quiet, in order to avoid complications and a rapid increase in valuations. We want to get not less than 100 acres, if possible, 150 acres of land, a part of it to be used for the college and its buildings and a large section to be used for

teaching scientific agriculture and also for a department of engineering. There is no doubt in my mind that with the introduction of a little scientific farming, with new seed and new stock and cattle, the value of the land all through the Harpoot valley might be increased at least 100%. I am confident we could increase the crops by from 100% to 200% within a few years. That is a wholly untouched field, offering tremendous possibilities for development.

Then, too, we know that there would be calls for engineers to build wagon roads, railroads, factories, and to open mines. We should train those engineers right there in our own college. In this way, with that line of training, we shall open up wide careers for the young men whom we educate. Not only will there be fields open for preaching and teaching but also very lucrative employment in other directions.

Just as soon as we can secure the site for the college we must have funds for the central administration building. That building alone ought to cost not a cent less than $20,000. Then other funds will follow for other buildings. I wish some successful former student or friend of Christian education in Turkey would be willing to put up this building and let it bear his name, as a memorial forever and a monument to his loyalty and devotion.

But I did not mean to write at such length. Please accept my warm personal regards, and believe me,

Ever faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Boston, September 13, 1912.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward, Treas.,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Bros. & Co., of London, No.28683, for £.80 Sterling, the regular monthly remittance on the college account.

I want to acknowledge with great gratitude your favor of the 15th of August, with its various enclosures, etc. I have put all of these, with your letter, into the hands of the Treasurer.

The meeting of our Board of Trustees is set for the 18th. I will communicate with you very soon after that meeting and will probably enclose a remittance, to help at least make up the deficit. In the mean time I will write you more at length regarding the accounts.

There is one question which the Treasurer raised, and which I was wholly unable to answer, in regard to your statement for 1911-12, being the balance sheet for June 29, in which are two items, - one, a credit to the President of the College for £t.119.58; and another, to S. S. Vartabedian, for £t.24.16 - as to why those two sums were not put into the deposit account. As nearly as we can understand, they are funds deposited with the college and used by the college in its current expenses, and are now due to the two individuals named.

Mr. W. T. T. Ward--2

Also it was not clear to us whether, on that same balance sheet, £t.729.63½, which is put down as a credit to the Harpoot station, means that the college is in debt to the Harpoot station by just that amount. But this whole matter will be discussed in the letter which I write after the meeting of the Trustees. I will also write at length to President Riggs.

Yesterday but very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

We have had our meeting of the Trustees of Euphrates College Fund, preceding which the communications from yourself and President Riggs were carefully considered. I shall probably be able to enclose with this latter another Bill of Exchange, but I will write another note with that. Also have not yet received me from the Treasurer.

There are several points about which I wish to write briefly. The first is with reference to the debt to the Harpoot station. The situation is a very trying one, in this, that apparently the Treasurer of the College being also the treasurer of the Harpoot station, the funds are not kept wholly separate, and when a College payment is to be made, if there are no funds in the College drawer the money is taken from the station fund and an account kept. Your report shows an indebtedness to the Harpoot station of 729.63½ Turkish liras. The Trustees were troubled at the fact, as it appeared in your communication, that when they made an appropriation to "cover the debt of the College," in accordance with the statement which they had received from you, it appears from your report that the money was not used for the debt at all but was turned into the running expenses of the College. One of the Trustees remarked yesterday, "What is the use of sending out money to cover the debt, in accordance with the statements received,

Mr. W. E. D. Ward -2

unless we can be assured in some way that it will be used for that purpose? These documents, and also for the covering letter. These have all been ... Will it not be possible - and I want to ask your serious consideration of this point - to send us upon your monthly statement an itemized statement with reference to the state of the indebtedness of the College to the Harpoot station treasury, so that each month we can know exactly how the College stands with relation to the Harpoot station? It is not none such arrangement actually necessary in order to prevent our going on here and your going on there

Boston, September 19, 1918.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

We have had our meeting of the Trustees of Euphrates College Fund, preceding which the communications from yourself and President Riggs were carefully considered. I shall probably be able to enclose with this letter another Bill of Exchange, but I will write another note with that. This has not yet reached me from the Treasurer.

There are several points about which I wish to write briefly. The first is with reference to the debt to the Harpoot station. The situation there is a very trying one, in this, that apparently the Treasurer of the College being also the Treasurer of the Harpoot station, the funds are not kept wholly separate, and when a College payment is to be made, if there are no funds in the College drawer the money is taken from the station fund and an account kept. Your report shows an indebtedness to the Harpoot station of 729.63½ Turkish liras. The Trustees were troubled at the fact, as it appeared in your communication, that when they made an appropriation to "cover the debt of the College," in accordance with the statement which they had received from you, it appears from your report that the money was not used for the debt at all but was turned into the running expenses of the College. One of the Trustees remarked yesterday, - "What is the use of sending out money to cover the debt, in accordance with the statements received,

Mr. W. E. D. Ward -2

unless we can be assured in some way that it will be used for that purpose?" Will it not be possible - and I want to ask your serious consideration of this point - to send us upon your monthly statement an added statement with reference to the state of the indebtedness of the College to the Harpoot station treasury, so that each month we can know exactly how the College stands with relation to the Harpoot station account? In fact, is not some such arrangement actually necessary in order to prevent our going on here and your going on there blindly? It does not seem to us here that this will involve any special difficulty. You keep an account, of course, so that each month you could cast up the debit and credit side and let us know the total amount of the indebtedness to the station, or the indebtedness to the College - if that should ever occur. We would prefer, or course, to have no passing of funds from one treasury to the other, having the College stand just as independently as though there were no Harpoot station there, and the same for the station. We would urge that that rule be followed just as far as possible. It is our desire to keep the College supplied with funds so that it will not need to borrow from the station. Second, I would like to raise here the same question that I did the other day, as to the putting of the 119.58 Turkish liras credited to Mr. Riggs on the deposit account, as well as the 24.16 to S. G. Vartabedian.

Very faithfully yours,

We cannot quite understand the Self-help Department account, as set forth at the bottom of the page of the balance sheet for June 29, 1912. Are there any credits on that account?

We also raise the question as to whether in the Boarding Department it will not be necessary to raise on the price of board so as to cover the deficit, which this year was 121.48 Turkish liras.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward--3

I want to thank you for the painstaking care with which you prepared these documents, and also for the covering letter. These have all been gone through with great care by the Treasurer.

The statement made at the bottom of page 4 of your letter is that there is really due from the Treasurer of Boston 476.14½ Turkish liras, and which if remitted, you give the impression, would clear up the indebtedness account of the Treasurer at Harpoot. I expect to remit to you in this mail a larger amount than that, and I would like then, after that has been received, a statement showing just the debit account, first of all to the Harpoot station. It seems to us that that is the first thing to clear up, and the thing to be kept straight, else we shall have trouble with the American Board.

The question was raised in our Committee as to whether or not you should carry on your balance sheets any longer some of your dead assets. It may be that we do not understand these; but take, for instance, the Loaning Library. There is probably no expectation that there will ever be any living assets coming from the library. It is money put into a library, as we understand, that is constantly loaned, and it will wear itself out in due time. That, perhaps, is the principal item, unless there be some items under the Self-help Department that could be reduced.

I remain,

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Payments on Euphrates College Account by the Treasurer in Boston, for the college year 1911-12, beginning July 1st.

July 7.1911 — £ 80. Regular income
30. Deposit Account — £110.

July 14.1911 — Paid to D. S. Ludelgian for traveling expenses back to Harpoot (From special [illegible]

July 31.1911 — Regular income £ 80.
Special contributions 70. — 150

Sept.11.1911 — [illegible]

Oct. 4.1911 — [illegible] 30. — 110.

Nov. [illegible] — [illegible] £ 80.
Special contributions 70. — 150.

Dec. 18.1911 — [illegible] 80

Jan. 26.1912 — [illegible] Deposit Account 100

" " — [illegible] Regular expenses of College 40.

Feb. 16.1912 — [illegible] Regular income 80

Apr. 8.1912 — [illegible] Regular income £ 160.
Prof.Religion £0 11 6 — 100 38.4

May 2.1912 — [illegible] Regular income 80

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Special gifts 220. — 300.

£.1655.11.6 + $150.

Boston, September 20, 1912.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I think it well to send you the enclosed schedule of remittances which have been sent by me to you during the last twelve months, beginning with July 1st. You can check these up and see if you have received all these remittances safely. You will note that this reports £T.1300 sent for the running expenses of the College during the twelve months.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Payments on Euphrates College Account by the Treasurer in Boston, for the college year 1911-12, beginning July 1st.

July 7,1911	£ 80. Regular income 30. Deposit Account		£110.
July 14,1911	Paid to D. G. Luledgian for traveling expenses back to Harpoot (From special gifts)		$150.
July 31,1911	Regular income Special contributions	£ 80. 70.	150.
Sept.11,1911	Regular income Deposit account	£ 80. 30.	110.
Oct. 4, 1911	Regular income Special contributions	£ 80. 70.	150.
Nov. 10,1911	Regular income		80.
Dec. 18,1911	" "		80.
Jan. 26,1912	Deposit Account		100.
" " "	Deposit acct.Mrs.Barnum at Harpoot for £T.188.63; balance toward regular expenses of College		175.
" " "	Regular expenses of College		60.
Feb. 16,1912	Regular income		80.
Apr. 8,1912	Regular income Prof.Nahigian	£ 160. 20.11.6	180.11.6
May 2,1912	Regular income		80.
June 12,1912	Regular income Special gifts	£ 80. 220.	300.
			£.1655,11,6 + $150

Enclosure

Boston, September 20, 1912.

Mr. Charles E. Kelsey,
Youth's Companion Building,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Kelsey:

I enclose herewith the report of the Treasurer presented to the Trustees of the College on Wednesday. I did not look at this report until yesterday. It strikes me that there is some mistake about the footing of the columns and the balance at the close. Will you kindly give this your distinguished attention?

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Colonel Hopkins, 2-

a missionary himself in Turkey. Neither of these men have yet accepted.

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September 21, 1912.

Colonel Charles A. Hopkins,
Winthrop Road,
Brookline, Massachusetts.

My dear Colonel Hopkins:

At the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Euphrates College Funds held this week, your letter was read. It would certainly have warmed the cockles of your heart to have heard the expressions of regret and sympathy that went about the table. There was nobody on the Board that felt it would be right to ask you to remain on the Board and continue to hold the office of Chairman, -your letter made it so plain that there was no other way but for the Board "with the keenest regret" to accept your resignation. At the same time the secretary was directed to express to you the loving sympathy of all the members of the Board, as well as their sorrow that you are compelled to withdraw from their number.

Deacon Field was elected Chairman.

With reference to the new members there were two nominations under one, Mr. Winslow, who goes off from the Prudential Committee this fall; and the other, Rev. Mr. Crane of Richmond, Massachusetts, a man of some wealth and deeply interested in Turkey. He is supporting

Colonel Hopkins, 2-

a missionary himself in Turkey. Neither of these men have yet accepted.

The finances of the College seem to be in a very fair condition. We had the treasurer's report and balance sheets showing some indebtedness to the Harpoot station; but we have funds in hand to meet the greater part, if not the whole of this.

I remain, my dear Colonel Hopkins,

Most sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/RBP

October 3, 1912.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I am very glad to enclose you herewith First of Exchange on Baring Brothers & Co., Limited, of London, No.78689, for £.500 Stg. This money is sent to be put at once to the credit of the Harpoot Station, to close up - as far as it will do so - the indebtedness of the College to the Station. As I wrote you the other day, it is not quite clear from your statement whether there will any actual indebtedness remain after the payment of this amount. Will you kindly send me, at your early convenience after the receipt of this draft, a statement letting us know just how the financial relations of the Station to the College stand? I am very glad that we can send this amount now, and I hope that it will prove to be a real refreshing and inspiring relief.

I will again call attention to the deposit of the President of the College with the Treasurer and renew my suggestion that that be put into the Deposit Account and so reported in your next monthly statement, if you have not already done so in the statement that would have left before this arrives.

I am just back from several days' absence and am writing on the eve of our Annual Meeting and there is time but for a few business words. We are very much disturbed over the outlook in Macedonia. The papers this morning indicate a most threatening and ominous condition there.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, October 3, 1912.

Miss Georgiana Frye,
Pacific Grove, California.

My dear Miss Frye:

Allow me to thank you for the $1.00 which you so kindly sent for the current expenses of Euphrates College. It will do much more good in Turkey than it could do in any place in this country because of the low cost of living and low wages. I am sending you under another cover a copy of the recent catalogue of the College, in which I am sure you will be interested, and I enclose herewith the Treasurer's receipt for your gift.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

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September 19, 1912.

Boston, October 3, 1912.

Miss Mariam S. Partigian,
21 Heard Street,
Chelsea, Massachusetts.

My dear Miss Partigian:

Thank you for your interest in Euphrates College and for your contribution for the work of the College through the Alumni Association. We rejoice in the work of the Association and what it promises for the future of our beloved College and appreciate the interest of all the old pupils in its glorious work.

Very faithfully yours,

Judson L. Dalton

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Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

I am afraid I shall not have time to write you at great length this morning, - certainly not as much as I would like to talk with you - over the subject of the meeting of our Board of Trustees yesterday. It brought a sense of great relief and satisfaction to us all that we had before us such full statements as to the financial situation of the College and such a full report from yourself. The financial statements had been gone over with with great thoroughness before the meeting, so that there was not need of a great deal of time being given in the meeting to that question. Your report was read in full, and it was appreciated, I assure you. It was the kind of a report that takes the Board of Trustees right into sympathy with the College administration. It showed to us a wholesome situation. The Trustees appreciate the difficulty, that you express in your report, of providing for the reception of Moslem students into the College. It is a problem that you will have to work out there, of course, but I want you to know that the gravity and difficulty of the situation is appreciated here.

Before coming down to more minute details, I would say that Col. Hopkins, President of the Board, has resigned from the Board, owing to the state of his health. He is a sick man, although about, but must drop all this line of work and devote himself, probably for the rest of his life, to the conservation of his health and strength. Col. Hopkins'

resignation, together with the death of Wolcott Johnson, leaves two vacancies on the Board. The Board nominated yesterday, to fill these two vacancies, F. O. Winslow (who is going off the Prudential Committee this year, by limitation, and who is one of the best men I know for this work) and Rev. William M. Crane, of Richmond, Mass. You know the Board only nominates. If these two men accept we will ask the Prudential Committee appoint them; otherwise, the vacancies will remain for the present. Mr. Crane is a man of some money and is already supporting a missionary in Turkey - Dr. Case, I believe, of Erzroom - and is a deeply interested man in work in Turkey.

We were very glad indeed to receive just before the meeting your estimate, or shall we say memorandum, of the probable expenses of the College for next year, this coming simply as an estimate from yourself but without the endorsement of the Board of Managers. I am afraid there is some misunderstanding here, for the following reasons: - You estimate that the total expenditures for 1912-13 for the College will be 1657 Turkish liras. In an estimate of the income for the running expenses of the College sent us by Mr. Ward the receipts for tuition was put down as 520.57 Turkish liras; other gifts amounting to some 70 Turkish liras additional. We therefore make our own estimates as to the available receipts for the College for 1912-13 as follows: - From the invested funds in the hands of the Treasurer here in Boston, 1,000 Turkish liras; tuition, 500 liras; from the Higher Educational Fund (the amount already having been appropriated) 534 liras; making a total of assets available without dependence upon any outside special gifts of 2034 Turkish liras for the running expenses of the College for 1912-13. This you will notice is nearly 400 Turkish liras more than the estimate you sent under date of August 22d. I am sending this statement that we may hear from you again to see if there is any mistake in the figures. I do

not see the possibility of any in ours, because I think we can surely depend upon £T.1,000 as a remittance from the Treasurer for the regular running expenses of the College during the year.

You will see my letter to Mr. Ward, with reference to keeping the debt account to the station absolutely clear and making a monthly report to us in connection with the deposit account report. It does not seem to me as if this will add any appreciable burden to Mr. Ward, since you must have a ledger account with the station and it would mean simply a footing up of the account for each month, at the end of the month, and adding it to the deposit account slip. Then, too, you will note the insistence of the Trustees that money that is sent for the debt shall be applied to the debt, otherwise it leaves us in a very confused frame of mind here. I expect the Treasurer will hand me a draft of £.500 Sterling to send as a special and extra to close up the account with the station, or to close it up as far as possible. You will see in my letter to Mr. Ward that I refer to his statement that 476.14½ Turkish liras is the amount needed to settle the indebtness there.

We are endeavoring, and I am sure you will see the wisdom of this, not to interfere with the invested funds of the College, since to do so necessarily cuts off future receipts, and it is necessary that the receipts for the future be safeguarded at every point to the limit of our ability. At the same time we realize the necessity of closing up our indebtedness. The total invested funds of the College, as reported by the Treasurer, amount to $97,957.84. This will be reduced somewhat in making the remittance which I expect to make in this mail.

Now with reference to your conference with Bogigian there on the ground with regard to the new site. I wonder what impression you made upon the brother there in Harpoot when he called upon you. You

must bear in mind, as must we all, that if the brother there in Harpoot makes an unfavorable report to the brother in this country on the way things are managed there in Harpoot we are likely to have the will changed. That is one of the difficulties - to pacify the brother here and interest him in the college, and at the same time not let him dominate the situation to the detriment of the College. Before submitting to the latter we must even allow him to change his will. There is such a large sum involved, and it means so much to the College, that I think we must be ready to make some sacrifice, and do some real diplomatic work with the brother at Harpoot. As I have said, it is absolutely essential that that brother report favorably to the brother here, else there will be trouble all along the line.

We also sympathize with you in your difficulty in the Board of Managers, and I want to say that that matter was discussed somewhat yesterday, and the Board of Trustees here are not willing to vacate their trust and put the responsibility for the entire conduct of the College in Harpoot upon the Faculty or the Board of Managers. They recognize the President of the College as an appointee of the Board of Trustees here and as their representative on the ground, and they must insist that the President, as their representative, see that the policy of the College and the principles for which the College stands be strictly carried out and that the wishes of the Board of Trustees here, as expressed in general principles, be executed. It is necessary, the Board feels, for the President to consult the Faculty in regard to all matters of the internal administration of the College, and there will probably be few if any occasions when there will be any radical difference of judgment, after such consultation, as to the steps which ought to be taken, but if there is such radical difference of judgment the Board of Trustees are bound to recognize that their representative on the ground

is the one who must speak with the authority of the Board and who must assume final authority, under the Board. This is the rule that governs colleges everywhere in the United States, and so far as we know throughout the world. The President presides at all the Faculty meetings and has a deciding voice, in the case of a divergence of opinions, on all questions, and is the one whom the Board of Trustees holds responsible absolutely for the conduct of the College.

I believe I have covered all the essential points of our meeting and of our correspondence. I am going to see Mr. Donchian, in New York, at the first opportunity, to urge him to assume the support of the chaplain for the College, as suggested in your letter. I am constantly working to get in touch with the leading Armenians of the country, especially those who know Harpoot and have been students there, in order to deepen and strengthen and materialize their interest.

Very sincerely yours,

P.S. We have just received 50 volumes of "Parliamentary Laws and Procedure," by J. K. Tertzag, presented by the author to Euphrates College. Mr. Tertzag says that he had conversation with you when you were in this country on the subject. The volumes have just arrived and will be sent to you by the next shipment. They are paper-covered, but I judge of real value. Mr. Tertzag's address is

Jacob K. Tertzag,
901 Old South Building,
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COPY

October 4, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

I am very sorry that the enclosed document has been delayed so long. I have taken a copy, and thank you for it.

A question was raised in my mind with reference to the $2147.03, marked as "Profit to date", since that item does not come out of the footings of the two columns preceding. I saw Mr. Kelsey last night on the train and he tells me that that is due to a system of accounts which dates back to your predecessor, and that it shows what has been gained in the buying and selling of investments of the funds from the time that method of accounts was entered upon.

I have talked with Mr. Kelsey with reference to the difficulties that you and he experienced at the time of the auditing, and we both recoil from having that experience repeated. I will use no names, but I am sure you will understand readily what I mean. It ought not to be, and I have talked with our treasurer, Mr. Wiggin, and Mr. Kelsey has spoken with him, and he is perfectly willing to act for the auditors and go through with you in your accounts, check things up, and then make report to the auditors, so that all they will need to do is to look over the securities in the vault and check them off in accordance with the list which you

Mr. Monroe - 2

will furnish them and which will have Mr. Wiggin's approval as expert accountant. This is the method of auditing of the American Board and is scientific and satisfactory to our constituency, and I am sure it will relieve you and Mr. Kelsey of a great strain. I am sorry for the trouble you were caused the other day. Mr. Kelsey says he does not care himself to go through such an experience again if it can possibly be avoided.

What would you say to having Mr. Wiggin come down and go over the books with you, and possibly he may be able to suggest a simplified and perhaps easier method of accounts, growing out of his long experience, which would make your work lighter? He probably could do this after two or three weeks. We are just now going to our annual meeting.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) JAMES L. BARTON.

JLB/E

Enclosure.

Boston, October 16, 1912.

Rev. William M. Crane,
Richmond, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Crane:

Your very kind letter was duly received, and I am glad now to inform you that the Prudential Committee at its meeting yesterday appointed you as a Trustee of the Euphrates College Funds. I am very glad indeed to have you come on to this Board. There are large things opening up for that College in the future. It occupies a strategic position, although it is passing through something of a change since we are planning to move the College from its present cramped position on the mountain, at Harpoot, down on to the plain, where it can expand as circumstances demand that it do expand.

When you are in Boston I would like very much to have a chance to talk with you over the College and its work, and possibly have you meet some of the other members of the Board.

Most sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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Boston, October 16, 1912.

Mr. F. O. Winslow,

Norwood, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Winslow:

It is a great pleasure to me officially to inform you that the Prudential Committee - about which you have heard - yesterday at its regular meeting appointed you, on the nomination of the Corporation, one of the Trustees of the Euphrates College Funds. It did not seem necessary to mention to the Committee the matter that you might not serve more than a year. The appointment, however, is made with the understanding that if at the end of the year the path of duty and privilege lies along the way of resignation you will be free to resign. President McKinley at one time told me, when we were talking of the appointment of an Ambassador to Constantinople and the man had sent word through me that he could not serve more than two years, that it was the prerogative of the free-born citizen to resign.

I am sending you under another cover one of the latest publications of the College, which possibly you have seen before.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

November 5, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire St.,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose a receipt for the one hundred pounds sterling (£.Stg.100) just received, and which I am forwarding by this mail to Mr. Ward.

Just as soon as we get the American Board appropriations off I will come down there and talk over with you the question of having Mr. Wiggin act for the Auditors, as expert accountant, thus reducing the Auditors' duties to simply checking up the securities in the vault. I think the plan if we can work it out will be a great relief to you.

Very sincerely yours,

JLB/RBP Dr. Atkinson, in a recent letter.

Enclosure. The friends of missionaries in Turkey are feeling

November 5, 1912.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,
Harpoot,
Turkey.

My dear Mr. Ward.

I enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Brothers & Co., Limited, London, England, No. 78714, certified draft for one hundred pounds sterling (£.Stg.100), which you will please place to the credit of Euphrates College account. According to regular rule sixty pounds (£.60) more is due at this time, but the Treasurer reports that in sending the last large remittance the available resources of the College were taxed so that the full remittance cannot be made this time without selling securities. I hope we shall make up in subsequent remittances.

We are very glad indeed to hear of your improving health through your brother, who was recently here, and of the good progress you are making in the accounts, as reported by Dr. Atkinson, in a recent letter.

The friends of missionaries in Turkey are feeling unusually anxious for fear that the war in Macedonia may lead to lawlessness farther east. All the letters that have come through recently give us assurance that certainly

Mr. Ward, 2-

up to the time of writing no fears were anticipated.
We hope you will see that we have frequent communica-

Boston, December 13, 1912.

tions from Harpoot until Turkey settles down again.
If there are any disturbances in that region whatever

Mr. W. S. D. Ward,

we shall expect a cable dispatch.

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

The appropriations will come out by the next

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I wish again to repeat the most hearty congratulations
that I sent you in brief in my letter the other day. You have won
a noble young woman, and while your gain is our loss nevertheless we
do congratulate you most heartily and wish for you and Miss Mattoon
a most happy and prosperous life.

JLB/BBP

Enclosure.

I want to acknowledge your two letters of the 13th and 14th
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Your various points of explanation are satisfactory. I will not take them up one by one. I can see why the credit to Mr. Riggs' account and others is not put on the Deposit Account and see the difficulty of keeping two cash drawers separate as between the College and the Station, especially when the treasurership of both departments is under one man.

I wonder if notes are no longer taken from the students for their boarding account, as was the custom when I was there. I had charge of the boarding for many years and each year I collected from 75 to 100 liras of notes given by the students for board; thus the money was turned over and over. I judge from your letter that that question has been abandoned and that no longer are notes taken from the students for board or money collected on the notes.

I note what you say with reference to the salary for the President of the College. This will come up when the Higher Educational appropriations are considered for 1913-14. The appropriation that has gone out for this college year will necessarily stand. The Higher Educational Fund did not undertake to meet the traveling expenses or the salary of Mr. Livengood as a separate item, but the appropriation was made with the understanding that it would cover that expense. This is the method pursued in all cases. An appropriation is made directly to the College and then, if they call for a tutor, the tutor is sent out and all charges follow.

I am sure you will all enjoy the paper that I am sending to Mr. Riggs containing a German poem that bears on the situation in Turkey today.

Again let me thank you for your most illuminating and on the whole most encouraging letter.

Believe me,

Ever faithfully yours,

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Very sincerely yours,

Boston, December 13, 1912.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the monthly statement for October for Euphrates College, calling for the full remittance. I wonder if we will be able on this remittance to make up the $80 which we should have sent last month. You will recall that the last two remittances were sent together and we sent only £100. Possibly we may have to wait over until January to make up the deficit there.

You will notice the statement at the bottom of the Deposit Account Statement, with reference to the debit account of the College with the Station. I have asked Mr. Ward to send us a monthly statement on that point.

I am sending you a long letter just received from Mr. Ward on the account which I think you ought to read. It is hardly worth while I think to copy it, and if after you have read it you will kindly mail it back to me I shall be most grateful. You perhaps know that Mr. Ward will remain there at the College only to the end of this College year. The accounts will be divided up after he comes away, the College account being kept by itself - by the President of the College, I expect - and the Station account by someone to be appointed for the purpose. Mr. Ward has not been an eminent success as an accountant,

Mr. Monroe--2

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Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Brothers and Co, Limited, of London, No.78779, for £100 Stg. This is the payment for December, with £20 in addition for what was not sent in October on the regular remittance. I anticipate that we shall make up the amount which we lacked in October so as to give you the £80 a month for each twelve months of the year, plus the £500 for debt purposes.

We are not getting very much mail from Harpoot these days. The Treasurer has read your comprehensive letter on the financial situation and expresses approval of the way in which the accounts are handled.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure #Ton. Ward

Boston, January 2, 1913.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the Deposit Account slip from Harpoot for the month of November, showing that £5 have been paid on the deposit account there. I should think we might get along with the customary check, leaving any accumulated balance until later in the year, since they had a balance of 386 liras on hand when this was made out.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Boston, January 4, 1913.

Mr. W. H. D. Read, Ordeb.,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

Mr. John J. Monroe,
Ilfracombe, Devon Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose herewith First of Exchange, No. 70750, on Baring Brothers & Company, Limited, of London, for eighty pounds sterling (£80-0-0). Kindly see that you will please put to the credit of the general account of the College.

I enclose herewith a monthly statement showing the state of Mrs. Le Ir such good financial condition. I shall be able to

I received from your hand and have sent but less than ago $15. a month.

I think I have already reported a conditional gift of $3,000 to the American Board which will come to the College on the death of the donor. I am also trying to keep in touch with some of the graduates of the College in this country who have money, with a view to future gifts.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, February 14, 1913.

January the tenth,
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Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose a receipt for the two hundred five pounds, seventeen shillings, five pence (£205-17-5), foreign bill of exchange, being the special gift of Mrs. J. F. Winslow of Poughkeepsie, New York, which I received from your hand and have already sent on to President E. W. Riggs at Harpoot.

Very sincerely yours,

Sincerely yours,

Harry L. Burton Sec'y.

JLB/RBP

Enclosure.

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Boston, February 14, 1913.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the deposit slip from Mr. Ward, Treasurer of Euphrates College, for December, showing that no deposits have been paid and none have been received. This will call for the regular monthly remittance. In a recent letter from President Riggs he said that they were wholly dependent upon our keeping up our College remittance at the rate of £80 a month, or £960 for the year. If you could send, therefore, a little more than the £80 we would be averaging up. In November and December you sent £100, to make up for the absence of remittance in October. We are short therefore £40.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton Sec'y.

Enclosure

February 27, 1913.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

I enclose a check of Miss Anna Veitch of Madrid, New York, for twenty-five dollars ($25) "for the uses of Euphrates College." I am writing Miss Veitch and will be glad to enclose her your receipt.

I enclose the blank receipt for you to sign.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/E

Check enclosed.

Stamped envelope
and receipt.

Boston, February 28, 1913.

Rev. E. W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

I am taking the liberty of enclosing to you First of Exchange on Baring Bros. & Co., Ltd. of London, No.78789, for £.100 Stg., the regular remittance for February plus £.20 Stg. I see that we are behind yet on our regular remittance by £.20, which I hope we shall make up next time. We are endeavoring not to take money out from the invested funds that are yielding a return, hoping by accrued income and special gifts to make up the amounts.

I believe yours of December 12th, which came over a month ago, has not been formally acknowledged. There is little in this calling for special reply. You speak in this of the suggestion of making Bingilian an assistant in the office of the Treasurer, and raise the question as to what the attitude of the Board will be. In other places a native of the country has been made an assistant to the Treasurer, although in many cases all of the items do not pass through his hands. I do not know why, if you have a man there in whom the station has full confidence, he should not be engaged to assist in keeping the accounts, even paying out money; it being always understood that close tabs will be kept upon him and that his accounts will be carefully audited. I think it will be far better to have assistance in this line than for you or any other member of the station to try

to do a treasurer's work in all its details. In the mean time the station would need to appoint someone as Treasurer who would assume the responsibility.

I find upon looking further into the files that yours of December 31st has not been answered. This was with reference to the work in Kurdistan and the two German women who were at the time of the writing at Harpoot. I had your letter copied and put into the hands of the Sub-Committee on Turkey. I do not see how the $300 could be guaranteed for a native doctor, or for increased work. The Prudential Committee of course can make no guarantee of what its appropriations will be next autumn. You can rest assured that all that we can secure will be appropriated.

I received this last week a letter begun by your sainted father. It was in response to a request of mine for his view as to the effect of the war and the present situation upon the Moslems. He wrote about a page and a half, and after a week or so your mother wrote a letter, enclosing your father's letter, and reporting the operation. At the same time she spoke of what seemed to be a very rapid and successful recovery.

I have just received today, in answer to one of those letters your brother and I signed months ago, a gift of $25. This comes from Miss Anna Veitch of Madrid, New York. She wrote upon the back of the letter that we signed, and closed her brief note with, "May God bless the work and also the workers."

Faithfully yours,

Enclosure

Boston, March 20, 1913.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the monthly statement of the Deposit Account with Euphrates College for January, showing nothing received and nothing paid out. If we can send a remittance at this time of £.100 Sterling we will then catch up with our remittances, on the basis of £.80 a month from the beginning of the year.

I enclose a receipt for the fifty dollars just at hand for the premium on the bond. I noticed that this was not due until the 17th of April. I think I will hold this here in the vault until near that time, thus leaving the money to your credit in your bank. It can just as well rest with you as with the Trust Company. I will send the check to the State Street office, as you suggest.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosures

Boston, March 24, 1913.

Mr. W. E. D. Ward,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Ward:

I enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Brothers & Company, Limited, of London, No.78813, for one hundred pounds sterling (£100 Stg.), the same to be put to the credit of the College account. This is the remittance for February. This makes the fourth remittance of £100, so that now we have made up the omission of the remittance in October when the special fund of £500 was sent you to pay off the indebtedness. Please let me know if this understanding is not correct. We remitted £100 November 5th, December 18th and February 28th. I presume that we shall be able to send the next remittance payable to your order; after that we had better make out the check payable to Mr. Riggs' order.

I want to thank you for your long and interesting letter, which has just come to hand and has been most carefully read. There is nothing in it, I believe, calling for specific reply, and I have but a few moments to write today. I have been away for nearly two weeks working in the interests of the Higher Educational Fund, in Chicago and vicinity, and also meeting many other engagements.

Is there anything we can do for you here in preparation for your home coming? I cannot but hope that a way will open for you to return to the work; but that is a matter we must leave for the future.

Very sincerely and cordially yours,

April 29, 1913.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

I enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Brothers & co., Limited, of London, No.78825, for eighty pounds sterling (£80 Stg.), the regular monthly remittance from the income of the funds of the College. It is very satisfactory to see in the monthly report that comes the splendid financial standing of the College, although I realize that a good part of that standing to the credit of the College in the station treasury are funds for the purchase of land, when purchase can be completed.

We have your favor of the 8th of March, which has just come to hand, containing nothing calling for immediate reply, but it is interesting from beginning to end. I am very glad that you are going to be able to employ Mr. Dinglian to take off from your shoulders a lot of the detail in the accounts. I know that has not been the custom in the Turkish Missions to any great extent but, as I wrote you, it is the custom in many other missions, especially in India, to have what is called an Indian "writer" to keep all the details of accounts and to carry on in many cases correspondence with the native workers.

I am very sorry for the trouble caused through the Yeprad. I hope the matter can be adjusted correctly. I should think it would

be a rather dangerous thing to allow a paper which stands for the College to be issued week after week without some editorial supervision on your part or on the part of someone whom the College might appoint from among the Americans to represent the broader and the College point of view. It is easy to understand how an Armenian editor might use the position for a narrow end. I would suggest, therefore - and if you wish to use my name in that connection you are quite at liberty to do so - that an American editor be appointed, yourself preferably, if not yourself, then your brother, to supervise what goes in to the paper and to hold the position as editor-in-chief. For the interests of the College and all concerned this seems to me essential.

I have been very much engaged the last few weeks with getting off the manuscript of a new Mission Study book on Educational Missions, which has curtailed my correspondence. The manuscript is still in my hands and is demanding considerable attention even yet, so that my correspondence will necessarily be rather limited for a week or two more.

With most cordial greetings to the entire station,

I remain as ever,

Faithfully yours,

Enclosure

April 25, 1913. Boston, May 6, 1913.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the financial statement of Euphrates College for February, calling for the regular monthly remittance of £.80. Will you kindly make out this Bill of Exchange in favor of Ernest W. Riggs, since it is possible that Mr. Ward will have left Harpoot before the check arrives. Mr. Riggs will now handle the finances, with a native accountant, so that hereafter checks will be made payable to his order.

I will call attention to the large credit with the Harpoot Station. This is due, in a large part, to the accumulation of funds for the purchase of land for the new site of the college. It will be drawn upon as soon as the trade is consummated.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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Boston, May 6, 1913.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Mr. John I. Monroe,

115 Devonshire Street,

Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the monthly statement of deposit from Euphrates College. This shows that £.T.20 have been paid out of the funds at Harpoot. This will call for £80, regular remittance, and £20 from the reserve fund.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

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May 12, 1913.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

I enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Brothers & Company, Ltd., of London, No.78833, for one hundred pounds sterling (£100 Stg.) £20 of this is to cover the payment made on the Deposit Account, in accordance with the report for March, and £80 is on the regular College remittance. This is made out to your order, in case Mr. Ward should have left when it arrives.

May I ask if, in your judgment, there is any necessity of sending the Second of Exchange. Treasurer Monroe always sends us up the First and the Second, but we have never been in the habit of sending the Second because the First, so far as we know, has never failed to arrive.

We have nothing especially new here with reference to Turkey or missionary matters in Turkey except that we are confronted with the great dearth of properly equipped candidates for missionary appointment. We have just learned that the Presbyterians are troubled in the same way. This makes us feel anxious as to how we are going to keep up the work in the future without reinforcements adequate to meet the situation. We are not allowing ourselves to be discouraged, but are sending out our lines into all the earth, the best we may, in order to get hold of the proper young men and young women for this work. It is

necessary for the missionaries to do the same, bringing whatever influence they can to bear upon the colleges and schools in this country to turn the attention of the students toward the needs and opportunities of the mission field.

I presume Mr. Browne has written you that Mrs. Browne is not gaining in strength and health as we hoped she would. Mr. Browne is doing a right royal service for the Board, speaking with great effectiveness everywhere. He will probably continue with us for another year, in our campaign work. They will live in the new Missionary Home at Auburndale. And by the way we want to call attention to the new Home, which will have unusual accommodations when it is finished. It will be open for occupancy this fall. You have seen a picture of it in the Missionary Herald. It is going on rapidly now, in this good spring weather.

We have just received a cable despatch announcing that Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy have been expelled from Kortcha and are now in Salonica. We do not anticipate easy work trying to carry on missionary work under the Greek flag. It may be that when changes actually accomplished or impending have taken place we will sigh for the day when we were given extra liberties and privileges under Turkey. We have received a communication from the Servian Government saying that American missionaries would be welcome in Servia and given every possible liberty, under their Constitution.

We have just received a cable this week from Dr. Ward of Beirut announcing the death of Miss Mary Ely. Our sympathies go out to the Eastern Turkey Mission, and especially to Bitlis and the sister, in this affliction. She did a marvelous service, not only in her actual teaching and work but by the life she lived among the people of Turkey for more than forty years. We had known that she was ill but

had hoped that the change to a lower altitude would be beneficial. We shall wait eagerly for the full particulars. We are glad she was in such good hands and we know that she was surrounded by loving friends and that everything was done for her that was possible.

By the time this reaches you, you will be in the midst of Commencement activities. We hope that you will all find something of a rest this summer and that before autumn begins the whole situation in Turkey will settle down to a condition of more stability. We trust that the Armistice now declared will prove to be permanent peace. I will say that Mr. Bogigian has returned from his trip West and seems to be in a very friendly and cordial attitude. We have to walk on our tip-toes with him in order to be sure that nothing is done that will cross him and compel him to change his will.

With cordial greetings to all the circle,

Ever faithfully yours,

Enclosure

Boston, June 10, 1913.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the April statement of account with Euphrates College, showing no payment on deposit account and no new deposit received. I will forward the regular monthly remittance as soon as you send it on.

Perhaps you know that Mr. Ward is coming home this summer and they plan to take care of the treasury with the force on the ground, President Riggs acting as treasurer.

The auditors of the Euphrates College Fund have suggested that they follow the rule adopted by the American Board many years ago, namely, that some expert go with you over your accounts and certify to them, they only examining the securities in the vault. You and I spoke of this at one time and I have talked with Treasurer Wiggin and find that he is ready to act in this capacity, and the auditors have expressed their approval. Will this be satisfactory to you? I am sure it will save you much annoyance at the auditing time, and I know you and Mr. Wiggin will take to each other on matters of accounts. Any time when it is convenient to you Mr. Wiggin will go with you over the accounts and get matters in shape for the auditing in the summer. He may be able to make some helpful suggestions.

I remain,

Very sincerely yours, James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, June 12, 1913.

Boston, June 12, 1913.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

Very many thanks for your note of the 11th inst. When you are ready to have Mr. Wiggin go over the accounts will you please call him up, 471 Haymarket. I go away tomorrow and shall not be back for about two weeks. I will speak with Mr. Wiggin so that he will probably be ready to go over the accounts with you almost any afternoon, if you will make arrangements with him a day in advance so that he may be expecting you. That will prevent his being tied up with some other engagements. I am sure the arrangement will be very much more satisfactory to all parties.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, June 12, 1913.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

I enclose herewith draft on Baring Brothers & Co. Limited, of London, No.78840, First of Exchange, for £80 Sterling, the regular monthly payment for April. This is made payable to your order.

The monthly statement of the deposit account shows the College fund to be in a most excellent condition, although this will be heavily drawn upon during the summer months in making preparation for another year. It must be vastly more satisfactory to you to have the balance upon the right side of the ledger and not to be struggling along under the burden of a great debt.

We have received your recent letters, which call for no definite reply. A letter from your brother speaks of the new magazine, and the attitude of the Mission upon it is interesting. A note from Constantinople referring to the subject raises the question as to the need of starting another paper so long as the Avedaper is available for the purposes which the new paper is designed to accomplish. I shall be interested in the reply of the Harpoot Station. It seems that the Bitlis Station also raised the same objection, namely, the starting of another paper back of which stands the Mission, or a part of the Mission, and which has the same purpose.

Rev. E. W. Riggs--2

I have only one day more in the office when I must attend two Commencements, a committee meeting in New York, and take a class at Northfield. It will be more than two weeks before I return again. This spring has been a very full one with me.

Dr. Patton went into a hospital last week for an operation for hernia. The operation was successful, and he is getting on nicely.

Please give our most cordial greetings to all the members of the station. This will reach you when at the Garden. We hope the summer will be one of rest and of successcul preparation for the work of another fall. You must not get discouraged about the matter of a new site for the College. It may be that you will wake up some morning and find yourself in possession of all you want.

Very faithfully yours,

Boston, July 3, 1913.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose the financial statement for May for Euphrates College, which shows no change in the deposit and which calls therefore for the regular remittance of £T.80 for the regular expenses of the College. The College will now be to continual expense for the summer months before any receipts whatever come in from local sources. The last letter from Mr. Riggs spoke of some encouragement about the purchase of the new site for the College, but it is slow business in Turkey to purchase land, especially when one tries to get hold of land that is dedicated to religious purposes.

The Treasurer told me yesterday that he enjoyed very much going over your accounts with you, and that he found them in excellent shape, and I am sure you enjoyed it very much better than going over the same ground with the auditing committee of the Board of Trustees.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosure

Boston, August 15, 1913.

August the twelfth,
Nineteen thirteen.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I have been compelled to send a cable dispatch to the College today with reference to one of the professors now in this country, for which we have paid four dollars and fifty cents ($4.50), as per enclosed slip.

Will you kindly send check for the same?

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/RBP

Enclosure.

Boston, August 15, 1913.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose herewith the June statement with reference to the financial standing of Euphrates College, showing that £T.10 have been paid on deposits. This would call regularly for £.80 on the regular remittance from the income and £.10 from the deposit account. I am glad to see that we are getting the college deposit account down below £T.200.

I am also enclosing the annual statement of accounts with the College treasurer in Boston, up to June 30,1913, for the preceding year, and also the balance sheet of the treasurer at Harpoot for the same period, all duly audited; and also the original letter of Treasurer Ward, accompanying these statements. May I ask if you will kindly return to me Treasurer Ward's letter, as I have no idea that you will care to keep it in your files. If you do, and will return it to me, I will have a copy made for my own files, as I have already had copies made of the two financial statements.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosures

Boston, August 21, 1913.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

I enclose herewith First of Exchange on Baring Brothers & Co. Limited, of London, No.78889, for ninety pounds sterling (£90 Stg.), £10 of this is to cover the amount paid on the deposit account and £80 is for the regular monthly remittance for the month of June, as per statement received.

I have to acknowledge a letter from Mr. Ward, sent under date of July 10, accompanied by the annual statement of accounts of Euphrates College with the College Treasurer in Boston and also the balance sheet, all for the year preceding June 30, 1913. It is very gratifying to have such a full and clear statement of accounts in hand at so early a date and is much appreciated. I have not acknowledged this letter to Mr. Ward since he was about starting for the South and for home and I did not know where we could reach him by mail en route.

You have copies of this letter and the statements before you. There is only one point to which I would call attention, and that is the balance sheet, - where £.T.199.10 are put down to the credit side of the balance without a corresponding sum on the debit side, that sum having been taken out of the College accounts and set

aside here to cover the deposit balance there. Had that been inserted, the College, instead of having 100 to 150 liras in excess of liabilities, would have nearly 200 liras more, which is certainly a good showing for the year and helps us all in entering upon the new year to do so with a good courage. I hope you will not have difficulty in keeping the accounts with exactness and precision now Mr. Ward has gone.

Now with reference to my two cable despatches to Harpoot on a single day - an unusual procedure. First, with reference to Vorperian. Benneyan from New York and Giragosian here in Boston laid the matter before me at considerable length, and it seemed wise, all things considered, to send the cable despatch. I refused to take the responsibility of authorizing him to stay here, as being wholly out of my province and as belonging entirely to the Board of Managers at Harpoot. Your cable reply is perfectly clear, and within a few moments after its arrival Vorperian and Giragosian came into my room. They talked a little about a possible second year, but I told them that we had considered only one year and that the cable reply allowed me to authorize his staying here only one year, with salary continued.

He plans to go to Princeton, and I have already asked for a scholarship or fellowship for him. I have received an encouraging reply, although action will not be taken upon it until into September. I have no word from you, that I recall, with reference to what he ought to study. He proposed geology and mineralogy. I immediately added to that pedagogy. If he is to remain at the head of the High School it seems to me that he ought to get a pretty good touch of modern methods of teaching. I urged him to make pedagogy his major, although I told him that we should expect that he would put in a year

of the hardest work of his life, and this he readily agreed to do.

Assuming that tuition will be $150, we have estimated that he will need about $200 in addition to that part of his salary which can be spared. He has also agreed to pay his traveling expenses back to Harpoot at the end of the period. I have written again to Mr. Gensemer, who helped Lulejian through, to see if he wishes to take a hand with Vorperian. At the same time, I have laid it upon the Alumni to raise $200 for the purpose and to establish a Fellowship Fund, to be assigned by themselves to professors of the College who have come over here to study with the approval of the Board of Managers at Harpoot. I hope we shall be able to raise all the extra money needed so as not to draw upon the College treasury for any part of it. I feel that it was a wise action to take, if he can be spared this year, since he was here on the ground and by taking advantage of his presence here the College saves the traveling expenses, which I am inclined to think he would demand if he had started from Harpoot for this country for the purpose of study.

The rest of the cable, with reference to Miss Catlin, was clearly understood. I communicated at once with her parents by telegraph and have also written them. It seems to me that the action of the Mission ought to be to them wholly satisfactory. I assured them over and over again that the Mission was sympathetic with their daughter and were as eager that she should not break down as they could possibly be.

Our hearts are sad over the death of Mr. Holbrook. In response to an appeal which I made to the State Department, Secretary Bryan wires that they have cabled the Embassy at Constantinople to send in with the investigating party a representative of the Embassy, provided the Embassy thinks it wise to do so. How difficult it is

to understand the meaning of this event, when our recruits are so few and scattered and when Mr. Holbrook had just reached the point where his work was becoming constructive. The parents have taken it beautifully.

Mrs. Browne came on last night from Holden in an automobile and is now in the Auburndale Home. Mrs. Barton and I went over this morning and saw her. She has been sick a good deal lately. She is coming in to Boston tomorrow morning to have an ex-ray examination to see what it will call for. She is far from well, it is evident, and needs skilled medical attendance, which she will have at once. Agnes was with her, and of course Mr. Browne.

With cordial greetings to all the station,

Very sincerely yours,

Enclosure

September 12, 1913.

Mr. John L. Monroe,
116 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

Will you please send me Boston, August 25, 1913.

of the one hundred dollars I deposited with you as a

Scholarship Fund for Professor M. S. Vorperian, and
116 Devonshire Street,
who has made his application to enter as
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe: there/ He calls for this amount.

The enclosed check for one hundred dollars ($100) from George V. Gensemer, of Elm Grove, Pennsylvania, was in answer to my appeal to him for money toward paying the expenses of Professor Vorperian, one of the professors of Euphrates College, who is now here, with the approval of the Board of Managers at Harpoot, for a year's study in this country. We are planning for him in Princeton University. His salary, by the vote of the Board of Managers, is to be continued, and we will require something like $200 more to meet the expenses of the year's work. Mr. Gensemer has sent this one hundred dollars, and I expect to get the remaining one hundred dollars from the Alumni in this country.

Will you kindly ~~ink~~ this check and let it stand subject to my order as the money may be needed by Vorperian. In other words, I will draw upon you against it as long as/ 12, 1913. it lasts.

Received / Very sincerely yours,

Please send receipt
to me for Mr. Gensemer
Enclosure

James L. Barton

James L. Barton Sec'y.

September 12, 1913.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

Will you please send me fifty dollars ($50.) of the one hundred dollars I deposited with you as a scholarship fund for Professor M. S. Vorperian, and who has made his arrangements at Princeton to enter as a graduate student there? He calls for this amount.

We shall have an order in due time from President Riggs to pay Vorperian two hundred dollars on his salary account.

I enclose a receipt for this money.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

September 12, 1913.

Received from John I. Monroe, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Euphrates College Funds, fifty dollars ($50.) from the personal scholarship fund for Professor M. S. Vorperian.

James L. Barton Sec'y.

to be used for teaching scientific agriculture and also for a department of engineering. There is no doubt in my mind that with the introduction of a little scientific farming, with new seed and new stock and cattle, the value of the land all through the Harpoot valley might be increased at least 100%. I am confident we could increase the crops by from 100% to 200% within a few years. That is a wholly untouched field, offering tremendous possibilities for development.

October 3, 1913.

Mr. A. M. Jamgochian,
926-7 Black Building,
Los Angeles, California.

My dear Mr. Jamgochian:-

I was not a little surprised, as you can well imagine, to receive yours of September 17th, written from Los Angeles, California. I am glad to welcome you to America, even though you are located so far away from this end of the country. I was more surprised, however, to learn that my letters to you at Manchester, reporting the status of your fund, had not reached you. I have been sending letters to you regularly there each year, reporting the condition of the fund.

In writing you, under date of September 13, 1912, giving an account of the finances, I wrote as follows in regard to the condition of the College:

> "I wish I could have opportunity to talk with you with reference to the situation at Harpoot. The movement toward Higher Education is general, as you well know, throughout Turkey, and our mission colleges stand at the center of that work. The position on the hill at Harpoot, hitherto occupied by Euphrates College, has become so cramped that we cannot build the new buildings necessary for the enlargement of its work. We are now trying to purchase a site off from the hill. The exact location has not yet been settled upon; in fact, the whole movement is very quiet, in order to avoid complications and a rapid increase in valuations. We want to get not less than 100 acres, if possible, 150 acres of land, a part of it to be used for the college and its buildings and a large section

to be used for teaching scientific agriculture and also for a department of engineering. There is no doubt in my mind that with the introduction of a little scientific farming, with new seed and new stock and cattle, the value of the land all through the Harpoot valley might be increased at least 100%. I am confident we could increase the crops by from 100% to 200% within a few years. That is a wholly untouched field, offering tremendous possibilities for development.

Then, too, we know that there would be calls for engineers to build wagon roads, railroads, factories, and to open mines. We should train those engineers right there in our own college. In this way, with that line of training we shall open up wide careers for the young men whom we educate. Not only will there be fields open for preaching and teaching but also very lucrative employment in other directions.

Just as soon as we can secure the site for the college we must have funds for the central administration building. That building alone ought to cost not a cent less than $30,000. Then other funds will follow for other buildings. I wish some successful former student or friend of Christian education in Turkey would be willing to put up this building and let it bear his name, as a memorial forever and a monument to his loyalty and devotion."

In order that you may have before you exactly the status of the Fund, I report as follows for the last four years, the condition of the Fund on September 1st.

1910	$1565.88
1911	$1630.50
1912	$1699.80
1913	$1772.04

I hope this will all prove satisfactory to you.

With reference to the college situation, We have not yet been able to secure land at the foot of the mountain. The one site that we have been after is difficult to procure, since the best building position on the site belongs to a mosque, but we are trying to get it through exchange. In the last letter

from President Riggs he said he was getting almost hopeless of ever getting that site, and that they were looking about for another. I am in hopes that we shall be more successful than our fears would indicate, and that we may be able to get that most beautiful site and satisfactory, after all. Just as soon as the college is moved we shall be ready for a tremendous advance.

With best wishes and cordial greetings,

I remain

Faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

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Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosures

Sent to Trustees Euphrates College Fund

December 22, 1913.

Boston, December 22, 1913.

Mr. John T. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

You undoubtedly have taken note of the fact that I have not called upon you for remittances for Euphrates College since August. We had received no deposit account statements, hence, following our rule, no remittance was called for. Mr. Ward left Harpoot and President Riggs took charge. As he had money in hand for running expenses, and as there were many other duties pressing upon him, he neglected this. I herewith enclose deposit statements for July, August and September, showing no deposits received or paid. These three deposit slips call therefore for a remittance of £240 on the regular three months' account.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosures

Sent to Trustees Euphrates College Fund

December 29, 1913.

J. W. Field, Esq.,
192 South Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Field:

You will be glad to know that a letter recently received from President Riggs, of Euphrates College, reports that the new college year has opened with more encouragement than at any period since Mr. Riggs has been connected with the institution. In the entering class they have 110 new boys as over against 44 new ones a year ago. There are 130 boarders as compared with 100 boarders last year, and three of the classes are so large that they have had to divide them.

Another encouraging element which Mr. Riggs reports is the marked change in the attitude of some of the people toward the college. A far greater sympathy is shown toward the work on every side; and on the financial side there is a good balance in the treasury. Mr. Riggs writes, "I do not need to try to tell you what a relief all this is to me personally, and I notice a firmer loyalty to the College among all the professors."

Mr. Riggs is fearful that the site at Jirid Tepe, which they have been hoping to secure for the College, is impossible since it belongs to a Turkish Mosque. It is exceedingly difficult to secure it for any other purpose. They are looking, however, for another site nearer to the Capital at Mezereh. Mr. Riggs is eager to get the site, that we may begin to plan for construction.

A native assistant treasurer has been secured, to do the work of Mr. Ward. Mr. Riggs reports him as rendering excellent service. They have just been through the trying ordeal of opening the college, and everything went off smoothly and without difficulty, with "his accounts right up to scratch every single day."

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Boston, December 22, 1913.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

I am just back from almost two months' absence from the office, including the annual meeting at Kansas City, and have just read, in gathering up the accumulated correspondence, yours of the 22d of October, enclosing monthly slips of the College for June, July, August and September. I am sending these to the Treasurer and expect to enclose his check with this letter. The June statement had already been received by us. Mr. Bell let these slips wait until my return since your balance showed nearly £500 at the end of September to the good.

I was glad to get your letter. You have certainly had a strenuous time this fall, but it is with great gratification that we note the prosperous outlook for the College, with its increase of students and the better loyalty of the faculty. I am going to make extracts from your letter to send to each member of the Board of Trustees. It will help hearten them up.

With reference to Mr. Bogigian, I think the people there have some reason to doubt his genuine interest in the College, judging from the past. I myself feel that we can never be sure of Mr. Bogigian's permanent interest in anything, but so far as Mr. Wiggin and I can make out he still remains cordially friendly toward the

College. Just before going to the Pacific Coast, he came in to see Mr. Wiggin, and confidentially told him about some securities, and so forth. He has seemed to keep in very close relations with Mr. Wiggin and myself since the will was drawn. We know the will was made, because we have a copy of it. We cannot know, however, when he makes another, and the last will always takes precedence. I am not so sure that he would make any large contribution toward the purchase of a new site for the College, although I can say that if you succeed in getting hold of the site I will lay the matter before him. I hope you will be able to get a site before a great while, when we can get to work and drive down some stakes, along the line of construction.

I am glad you have such good help in your new treasurer. Mr. Ward is here in B$_o$ston, so Mr. Wiggin tells me, and has already secured a place in the Y.M.C.A. as secretary. I have not yet seen him. I have been back only a few days and I was laid up with some special reports that had to be got off, so I have been giving my time to them. I have hardly had an extended conference with Mr. Bell. I have given my evenings to reading the accumulated correspondence. I am sorry for the outbreak in the Women's Department. It looks as if suffragism is even getting into the interior of Turkey.

I had rather a strenuous trip in Europe, but profitable withal.

With most cordial greetings to yourself and Mrs. Riggs and all the circle, I remain,

Faithfully yours,

Boston, February 2, 1914.

Mr. Monroe,
Treasurer Euphrates College Fund,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose herewith statements of Deposit of Euphrates College, and check for $, being the three months to Dec. 31st, 1913.

I here an order from President Riggs, of Euphrates College, to advance to Professor Vorperian, now studying in Princeton University with a view to returning to Harpoot, up to $, to be charged against his salary at Harpoot.

There now today an order from Vorperian asking for a remittance of $100 on this account. If you will kindly send me a check for that amount and charge it over against the monies from Euphrates College, I will send it to Vorperian.

You will note the check payable to N. S. Vorperian.

I do not anticipate.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton, Sec'y.

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Boston, February 3, 1914.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I enclose three monthly statements of Deposit of Euphrates College, one each for October, November and December, showing that in the three months no deposits have been paid and that the amount of deposit at the end of December was £T.199.10.

These call for the regular remittance of £.80 a month, or £.240. From this you will deduct the $100 called for in October and of yesterday to be paid to Mr. Vorperian on his account at Harpoot, which will leave a balance of £.220 to be remitted to Mr. Riggs from the regular income of the College. Harpoot. This is in accordance

Mr. Riggs evidently is not going to send his account month by month. to advance as to advance exceeding $300 for the year on Vorperian's salary account. This leaves a deficit for the year of £20. In sending this amount Mr. Riggs makes a note that there is a reduced income probably due to the shrinking of some of the securities, so that he is able to [illegible] I hope he will be able to make up the amount before the end of the school year. It is gratifying to see your work in the station in such a wholesome and encouraging condition.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Enclosures

I want to say to you here, privately, that we have just received word from Aintab College that it is grievously in debt. It was in a similar condition some two years ago and Mr. Bell, the Treasurer of the Corporation, by a tremendous effort got them out. This is one of the hardest blows he has received for some time.

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February 5, 1914.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

Your favor of January 3d, enclosing financial statements for October, November and December, reached here on the second instant, and the statements were forwarded at once to Mr. Monroe, and I have received this morning from him the enclosed draft on Baring Brothers and Company of London, First of Exchange, No.78987, for two hundred pounds sterling (£200 Stg.). This covers the remittance of £80 each for October and November and £40 on the December remittance. To this should be added £20 for $100 sent to Mr. Vorperian upon his order and which is to be charged to his salary account at Harpoot. This is in accordance with your letter of December 11th in which you authorize us to advance up to but not exceeding $350 for the year on Vorperian's salary account. This leaves a deficit due you of £20. In sending this amount Mr. Monroe adds in a note that there is a reduced income, owing probably to the defaulting of some of the securities, so that he is able to send only this amount. I hope he will be able to make up the amount before the end of the school year. It is gratifying to see your account with the station in such a wholesome and encouraging condition.

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I will refer again to your letter in which you speak of Bitlis and the possibility that it might be well to make some radical changes there. We have received a very extensive letter from Miss Atkins speaking at length upon the same subject. I am sending copies of that letter to Mr. Browne and to Dr. Raynolds. The only question in my mind is as to whether that whole matter should be held in abeyance until someone from the Board can come out there, a year from now. About this I will write more later.

We have been greatly shocked by the cable despatch received last Friday, the 30th of January, announcing the death on the day before, at Shanghai, of President Capen. We had no reason to expect such news. The last letters from him and from Dr. Strong spoke of his splendid health, but they also revealed his intense activity. It would seem that he had so exhausted himself that when disease came upon him he had no resistance left. His death will be a great loss not only to the Board but to many other interests. The Congregationalist this week is printing rather extended notice of Dr. Capen's life and work.

In accordance with your suggestion I wrote to Mr. Jay Minkler, at Cornell, but have not yet heard from him. If I get a nibble we will put Eddy upon him at once to complete his papers and have him off for Harpoot as soon as possible. I hope we can get one who will hold up the reputation that has already been established by Mr. Livengood and Mr. Harper. There is not time for extensive correspondence this morning, but this carries a lot of love to all the good people at Harpoot.

A cable despatch this morning reported the death of Mrs. Barnum at Constantinople. This also came without warning.

Very faithfully yours,

Boston, February 5, 1914.

Dr. John I. Morris,
141 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Mass.

Professor W. S. Waterman,
Princeton University,
Princeton, New Jersey.

My dear Professor Waterman:

I was very glad to get your letter and to know that you were getting on so well in your studies. I hope you will improve every opportunity. I am greatly pleased at the liberality in giving you such special privileges.

I wrote to Dr. Bilbo asking him to give you all possible help.

I enclose check for $100, which is to cover your account at Tarpoot, the same to help you while studying there.

Please sign the enclosed voucher and return to me.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

Check and voucher enclosed.

Boston, February 3, 1914.

Professor M. S. Vorperian,
Princeton University,
Princeton, New Jersey.

My dear Professor Vorperian:

I was very glad to get your letter and to know that you were getting on so well in your studies. I hope you will improve every opportunity. I am greatly pleased that the University is giving you such special privileges. I wrote to Dr. Hibben asking him to give you all scholarship aid possible.

I enclose check for $100, which is charged against your account at Harpoot, the same to help you while studying for future work there.

Please sign the enclosed voucher and return to me.

Very faithfully yours,

Check and voucher enclosed.

April 29, 1914.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

We have just received a request from Professor M. G. Vorperian for another remittance of fifty dollars ($50.) on his salary account at Harpoot. Will you kindly send me your check for that amount, and I will remit to him, the amount to be charged against the next remittance to Harpoot on Vorperian's salary there?

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton Secy.

JIB/T

The balance of Nine Hundred Dollars ($900.) he has sent over to you as Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, from the Board of Managers, to be invested with other funds of the College, provided that it can be drawn upon a year from now, if needed. This is nine-tenths of the money which Dr. Selden gave to the College for industrial training. They have retained $100. of the $1000. there, to be used during this next year. Mr. Riggs says it is unlikely that one year from now they will need more than two or three hundred dollars, so that he would like to have it invested to bring in as much income as possible, but kept as a separate Fund, to be drawn upon from time to time as the Board of Managers may desire.

I am enclosing also the monthly statements for January, February and March, 1914, showing that no deposits have been received or paid during the three months, and calling for the regular

remittance to the College of £240, or at the rate of £80 per month.

Mr. Riggs calls attention to the large balance due to the College from the Station Treasurer, but also says that this $100. is included in the March statement, so that will be reduced in the next statement. I will send the £240 on to Mr. Riggs as soon as you can provide me with the Bills of Exchange.

Very sincerely yours,

May 1, 1914.

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

I have just received a letter from President Ernest Riggs, of Euphrates College, enclosing a check for Nine Hundred and Ninety Dollars ($990.) on Brown Brothers and Company, of New York. From this he asks that ninety dollars ($90.) be handed to Mr. Wiggin, returning that amount which was sent over for scholarships for certain pupils and which cannot be used.

The balance of Nine Hundred Dollars ($900.) he has sent over to you as Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, from the Board of Managers, to be invested with other funds of the College, provided that it can be drawn upon a year from now, if needed. This is nine-tenths of the money which Dr. Selden gave to the College for industrial training. They have retained $100. of the $1000. there, to be used during this next year. Mr. Riggs says it is unlikely that one year from now they will need more than two or three hundred dollars, so that he would like to have it invested to bring in as much income as possible, but kept as a separate Fund, to be drawn upon from time to time as the Board of Managers may desire.

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remittance to the College of £240, or at the rate of £80 per month.

Mr. Riggs calls attention to the large balance due to the College from the Station Treasurer, but also says that this $1000 of the Selden Fund is included in the March statement, so that will be reduced in the next statement. I will send the £240 on to Mr. Riggs as soon as you can provide me with the Bills of Exchange.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton, Sec'y.

P.S. Please send to me a check for ninety dollars ($90.) and I will hand it to Mr. Wiggin, with a letter that I am holding from Mr. Riggs, giving directions for the use of the money.

JLB/E

Enclosures:
Check for $990.
Statements for Jan.,Feb.,Mar.,1914.

April 30, 1914.

Rev. M. S. Vorperian,
Princeton Theological Seminary,
Princeton, N.J.

My dear Mr. Vorperian:-

I enclose the check of our Treasurer for fifty dollars ($50.) in response to your request of April 27th, which is a remittance on your salary account at Harpoot. The same will be charged against your account there.

Before we can advance anything on your next year's account we shall have to have word from President Riggs and the Board of Managers there. You say you have written, so I will take no action until we get word from President Riggs.

It is a matter of gratification that your studies are so satisfactory.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/E

Enclosure.

May 12, 1914.

Rev. L. S. Vorperian,
Princeton Theological Seminary,
Princeton, N.J.

My dear Mr. Vorperian:

I have sent, as you request, a special letter to President Gibbin, asking for a scholarship for you for next year. I have had some recent correspondence with President Gibbin on the subject and had already embodied his request in a letter to him. But for fear that may not be sufficient, I have written him a second letter.

You understand, of course, that we cannot take any special action until we hear from President Gibbin. I hope to hear from him in due time, as you have written him. If President Riggs and the Board of Managers at Harpoot are favorable to your remaining, I will do the best I can for you.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/E

To the Trustees of Euphrates College Funds:

After extended conversation with Mr.J.J.Arakelyan of this city, at my suggestion he dictated the following letter to me and signed it.

"Boston, Mass., June 8, 1914.

"My dear Dr. Barton:-

I have a half brother, Joseph G. Arakelyan, here in America who has been in the printing business at the Arakelyan Press for approximately fifteen years.

Some months ago he took a notion of starting a little job office and going into business for himself, but as the conditions for business were not satisfactory his success has not been what he anticipated. He is a good fellow and a member of a church here. His character is good and reliable and he is a good Christian man and I think he would be of good assistance to the missionary force at Harpoot.

Yesterday he was at my house. While speaking of his experiences I asked him if he would care to go back to the Pilgrim Press as it is now. He expressed unwillingness to do so. Then I suggested to him if he would not like to go as a missionary printer to Harpoot. He was very prompt to consider it very favorably provided he could be secured by the College authorities. So I am asking you if you could so arrange to have him go.

If he goes under the College authorities he is willing to give his press, which is a good one, and all of the outfit, type, etc., to the college. If the college authorities really engage him at a stated salary I will assume his salary and also his traveling expenses and the freight on the press and the material connected with it. It seems to me that a salary of $250. will be fair to begin with.

A prompt reply and careful consideration on your part will be greatly appreciated.

Very sincerely yours, (Signed) J.J.Arak-yan."

The subject of this letter we have discussed in the Cabinet of the American Board, and none of us see any reason why we would not most gratefully and gladly accept Mr. Arakelyan's offer. I do not wish to put the members of the Board of Trustees to the trouble of calling a special meeting for the purpose, but I would like you to consider this matter and let me know whether you will authorize me to go ahead and in the name of the Board of Trustees to accept the press and the offer made. Before sending this I expect to see and have conversation with Joseph G. Arakelyan so as to form my own opinion as to his qualifications for chief printer for the College Press at Harpoot. I have every confidence in Mr. Arakelyan's willingness and ability to carry out his promise.

The Trustees will be glad to see a copy of a letter, just received, from Dr. A. G. Hejinian, a former graduate of Euphrates College, who some time ago gave money for a new library building for the College, which however has not been used owing to there being no place to put it on the present college site. This letter is in response to an explanation sent him a few days ago as to why the library had not yet been built and giving him something of the plan proposed of moving the College from the hill to the plain, and possibly the separating of the Girls' College from the Boys', etc. Dr. Hejinian has been very successful in his medical practice, and I am sure will stand by the College, as his letter indicates. His letter is as follows:

"My dear Doctor Barton:-

Yours of 22nd May received. I was so glad to hear from you, especially to learn of the plans of the Board of Trustees towards the future of Euphrates College.

The plan to move the college onto a new and better campus, I am heartily in favor of, also that of

separating the boys' college from that of the girls' college. It seems to me it will not be difficult to raise the required funds to accomplish this. I think it should not be hard to raise among the Alumni about $25,000.00 beside what could be raised among the American friends of the college. I will be glad to add a substantial sum to my former donation to build one of the best buildings on the new campus. Kindly inform me as soon as you are able to buy the new grounds. I hope too that you will be able to add to the college a department of Agriculture, that will mean a great deal to Harpoot plain.

I pray that all these means will serve to hasten to bring the kingdom of God in that country."

I remain

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/E

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June 15, 1914.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,
Harpoot, Turkey.

My dear Mr. Riggs:-

I enclose herewith Treasurer Monroe's statement of his account with Professor Nahigian, which you will kindly hand to him. There is nothing that I need add. I enclosed you the other day £20/9/7, the remittance of Treasurer Monroe to Prof. Nahigian, according to this statement.

There is nothing especially new today. We are having a meeting this morning of the Committee on Higher Educational Work, with Cabinet meeting this afternoon and Prudential Committee to-morrow. The days are very full.

We are co-operating with the Home Department in getting the right man for you this fall. He had not been landed last week, but we are trying to land him as fast as possible.

Faithfully yours,

JLB/E

Enclosure.

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June 11, 1914.

Messrs. Rand, McNally & Co.,

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed please find check for $[illegible]. Eighty

dollars is for the printing

of the Annual Report, sent in

by you and corrected by

[illegible]

I wrote you a week ago that I was sending out now to the trustees the proposition that Mr. Arakelyan had made to me, written

[illegible] Yon will

remember that I had written Mr. Arakelyan

that I would be glad to be called the

[illegible] when we knew the proposition

[illegible] as the matter was dropped, and as we

[illegible] was closed. He came into my office on Monday

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[illegible] had not been forgotten and he was ready now

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It seems that his only brother, Joseph Arakelyan, who had

been in the printing business with him for fifteen years, had recently

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June 11, 1914.

President Ernest W. Riggs,
Harpoot, Turkey.

My dear Mr. Riggs:-

I enclose First of Exchange on Baring Brothers & Co., Limited, London, No. 79043, for One Hundred Pounds 9/7 Stg. Eighty Pounds (£80) of this is the regular April remittance for the running expenses of the College; £20/9/7 for Professor Nahigian, sent in response to his request, received some time ago and forwarded by myself to Treasurer Monroe.

We are just considering a proposition that has recently come to us from J.J.Arakelyan. I am sending out now to the Trustees of the College a letter enclosing one from Mr. Arakelyan to me, written here in my office after extended conversation with him. You will remember that some time ago I reported that I had asked Mr. Arakelyan to give Euphrates College a new press, the same to be called the Arakelyan Press, etc. At that time he told me that the proposition did not appeal to him at all, so the matter was dropped, and as we supposed the incident was closed. He came into my office on Monday of this week and asked me if I remembered making him that proposition, etc., and said that it had not been forgotten and he was ready now to talk about it.

It seems that his half brother, Joseph Arakelyan, who had been in the printing business with him for fifteen years, had recently set himself up in a printing office, doing job work, etc., in Cambridge; that he was not satisfied with his work, and was ready to give his

entire plant to Euphrates College, if the College would accept it, together with his type, furniture, and all. In addition to this, Mr. Arakelyan said that he himself will pay the freight and expenses out of this printing outfit; that he will also pay the traveling expenses out of Joseph and his wife, in addition to Joseph's salary, if the College will take him on as printer. I have this in writing from Mr. Arakelyan, and am now consulting with the Board of Trustees.

It will be impossible for me to lay the whole matter before you, since we need to know so as to make arrangements for Joseph to go out with Miss Daniels, and he wants to give notice with reference to his rent in Cambridge, etc.

I have had a talk with Joseph today and am greatly pleased with him. He is a clean young fellow, with a wife, no children. I do not know what Mrs. Arakelyan's name was before she was married, but she was educated in Harpoot and was for two years doing the work of a nurse with Dr. Michael. She knows some German.

Mr. Arakelyan did not want anyone to know he was paying the expenses out and salary, if Joseph goes out. He will hand the money to me, and it will come to you as a special gift from time to time, from which you will pay the salary of Joseph. As Joseph has lived so long in America, it seemed to Mr. Arakelyan that he should have £.T. 4 a month at first,- perhaps more later. Mr. Arakelyan proposes to hand over $250 a year, leaving some little balance for future use. Joseph accepts this.

I am communicating with Miss Daniels to see how it strikes her, and am inclined, if the Trustees find no objection - and I do not anticipate that they will - to accept Mr. Arakelyan's offer, and have the press boxed and sent right off, and have Joseph and his wife come with Miss Daniels this fall.

In my talk with Joseph this morning, I find that the press

is a new one, has been used only a few months, and that he has forty-two fonts of Armenian type, of two different kinds,and also quite a supply of English type, largely for job work. He says he has twelve kinds of English type or more, all of it new.

You know there are strong reasons why we want to keep Mr. Arakelyan tied up to the College. I am confident that he has left something to the College in his will, but I think if we can hold his interest that he will do still more for it while living. I do not know what your plans with the press now are, but I think Joseph will be able to take full charge and to train boys in the printer's trade while doing the work that you want to do.

You will be interested also in a letter from Dr. Hejinian, one of the former graduates of the College, in which he expresses most hearty approval of the plan to move the College onto a new and better campus, and to separate the boys' college from the girls'. He says: "It seems to me it will not be difficult to raise the required funds to accomplish this. I think it should not be hard to raise among the Alumni about $25,000. beside what could be raised among the American friends of the College. I will be glad to add a substantial sum to my former donation to build one of the best buildings on the new campus. Kindly inform me as soon as you are able to buy the new grounds. I hope too that you will be able to add to the college a department of Agriculture, that will mean a great deal to Harpoot plain." This is all very encouraging. Hejinian is a good friend to keep close to. His address, as you perhaps know, is: A. G. Hejinian, M.D., Anamosa, Iowa.

Hastily but very faithfully yours,

JLB/E

Enclosure.

June 10, 1914.

Mr. J. J. Arakelyan,
65 Welles Avenue,
Dorchester, Mass.

My dear Mr. Arakelyan:-

I am sure I do not need to tell you that the Trustees of Euphrates College are thoroughly and heartily grateful to you for your generous offer in connection with the printing press which your brother Joseph proposes to give to the College. I am glad now officially to inform you that not only is his offer of the press gratefully received, but your offer as well to meet all of the expenses of the packing and transportation of the press to Harpoot, together with some of Joseph's household articles, and his and his wife's traveling expenses, and also to meet his salary while he works in connection with the press which is a part of Euphrates College equipment. We all regard this as a most generous offer on the part of you both, and we are glad indeed to co-operate to the last degree in accepting your offer and in carrying out the terms to the limit of our ability.

Our Treasurer estimates that it costs per person from $200 to $225 from Boston to Harpoot. This is a liberal estimate. We pay only the actual expense, and any balance remaining, after arrival there, will be put to the credit of the Printing Fund.

It is difficult to estimate, until the whole boxing is done, as to what the cost on the press will be. Mr. Hosmer will take charge of that, and we will secure tickets for Joseph and

his wife, getting them at our lowest missionary rates. I should judge $50. would cover fully the transportation expense of the press and outfit. If it should be more than that, it can be charged to the Fund out there; and if less, the credit will be given to the Fund.

We understand that Joseph's salary will be four liras a month, for the first year. You speak of sending $250. Four liras a month would leave $30., but there may be other expenses. We will keep careful account of this Fund of yours, and let you know from year to year just how it stands.

I wish, in addition to what I have written above officially, to express my own personal appreciation and gratitude to you. You can hardly estimate what this press will do there in the heart of old Armenia in disseminating Christian truth and knowledge among a people that are now more and more able to read and that need something to bring them into touch with the outside world, from which they are so thoroughly shut away. It is a much appreciated gift.

Very faithfully yours,

JLB/E

P.S. I have got to leave the office next Monday morning about 11 a.m., and shall be away all the week on some Commencement engagements.

June 18, 1914.

Mr. J. J. Arakelyan,
65 Welles Avenue,
Dorchester, Mass.

My dear Mr. Arakelyan:-

I am very glad to enclose herewith a copy of the letter I am writing to your brother Joseph. I hope this makes everything perfectly clear. It is no stretch of the truth to say that the College pays the expenses out of the press, outfit, etc., because you make your contribution to the College and the College meets the bill.

Again let me express my profound appreciation of your great generosity in this matter.

Very sincerely yours,

JLB/E

Enclosure.

June 18, 1914.

Mr. Joseph Arakelyan,
3 Greenwood Street,
Dorchester, Mass.

My dear Mr. Arakelyan:-

I am very glad now to be able to report to you that the Trustees of Euphrates College most gladly, and with the deepest appreciation, accept your liberal offer to give your press and the type and furniture of the same to Euphrates College. This liberal gift is gratefully accepted, and the College is ready to make arrangements, through Mr. John G. Hosmer, our Purchasing and Shipping Agent, to pack and ship the same to Harpoot.

I have also to report in addition to this, that we as Trustees and as a College gladly accept your services, so liberally offered, to go out to Harpoot and to take charge, just as soon as the authorities at Harpoot are ready to put into your hands the printing work in connection with this press and with the present printing establishment now at Harpoot. I do not myself know just what arrangements have been made with the one now in charge, but any contracts or agreements made there will necessarily have to be carried out. You will understand this. In the meantime you will proceed to Harpoot and put yourself in a position to render a large, and I believe, most important service to Euphrates College through the press. It is possible that they may ask you to take some other work in the College, but that will remain for future decision there on the ground.

We will make arrangements here for your traveling expenses

to Harpoot. Your tickets will be bought here by the American Board acting for the College, and arrangements made for your journey. We will plan to have you and Mrs. Arakelyan accompany Miss Mary L. Daniels, who is returning to the College this summer. She will probably sail, either from Boston or New York, early in August, and go directly through to Harpoot. All the expenses of your journey will be met, as I have said, by the College. Some money for expenses by the way will be put into your hands when you leave here, for which you will render an account to Mr. Riggs, the President of the College, upon your arrival at Harpoot.

In Harpoot, for the first year, your salary will be four liras a month, beginning at the time of your arrival, you to furnish your own house rent, etc. If it should be necessary to make any increase on this salary, which is the salary of some of the leading teachers of the College with families, you will take the matter up with President Riggs and the local Board of Managers, and they will report here.

I have every confidence that you will find most congenial fellowship and association in the College staff, and that you will find every opportunity for doing a large and important work, using your talent and ability as a printer in promoting the best and highest interests of the Kingdom of God in that part of Turkey. At the same time, we would not think of sending you merely as a printer. You are a Christian, and the College is a Christian College. Therefore it is our hope and expectation, that everywhere, and in all your life there in Harpoot, you will stand as a Christian leader, trying to lead the young men with whom you will come in contact, through the press, and in the College, and elsewhere, to know Jesus Christ as their Redeemer and Lord.

Mr. Hosmer will take up the matter of packing the press

and your household goods, so that responsibility will be taken from you. You can give notice for the vacating of your rooms, as the sailing date will probably be before the middle of August, possibly by the 6th.

With much appreciation,

I remain

Very faithfully yours,

JLB/E

Personally dictated,
but signed in Dr. Barton's
absence.

Mr. John I. Monroe--2

I am not inclined at this writing to recommend to the Trustees that they authorize Mr. Riggs to expend £.2000 on land, which would be a thousand pounds or more in excess of what he has on hand.

July 2, 1914.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. John I. Monroe,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Monroe:

I have just received the May Statement from President Riggs, in which there is a balance due the College from the Harpoot Station of £T.670. This includes, as you know, some funds in hand for the purchase of the new site for the College when the site is offered. In Mr. Riggs' covering letter dated June 1st he says:-

> "As you see, we are considerably in the lead, and ought to keep so till fall. Then we shall be in need of all we have, probably, especially if we can make any land deal. We can get little or no interest on money sent here, so I should think it better policy to say nothing about it but just to hold up the monthly remittances for a time, this being with the distinct understanding that we can draw them when needed in the fall or later."

I would suggest, therefore that you get as much interest as possible on the College receipts. It looks now as if I would not call upon you for any more remittances until August, and may be not until into September. Unless I hear from you I will assume that that seems to be all right.

Mr. Riggs raises the question also in his letter as to whether he will be justified in obligating the College up to say £T.2000, if necessary, for the securing of a new site. He says:-

> "The more we can get at once the more we shall save in the end, and if we actually get the land in hand it seems to me it will be worth while and will be easier to get donors than to ask for an indefinite sum to buy land at some place at some time in the future."

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The brother has gone on to Russia, on one of the Whitcomb Tours, and will not be back here until October or November. He has left us no remittance on salary account, and so far as we can make out the freight on the press may amount to as much as $400. This you will have to pay when the bills come. We have every reason to feel that J. J. Arakelyan will meet his full obligations. He has written very clearly in two letters to me stating that he will be responsible for the freight and for his brother's salary, besides traveling expenses. Will you therefore keep a very careful account with the press, sending a full statement of all the freight charges, etc., that they may be presented to J. J. Arakelyan here. He will expect you to keep a separate account on this press matter so that he may know just how much it costs.

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Pres. E. W. Riggs--2

I will add just a word to say that for the remainder of this week the only officers of the Board are the Treasurer and the Foreign Secretary. We have just been discussing the question of having a special Cabinet meeting to settle a lot of important Board affairs. We have both learned that the smaller the number in the Cabinet the less discussion there is and the easier it is to secure a unanimous vote.

Dr. Raynolds was at our house last night. He is interesting the Armenians very much in the College at Van. While he is getting no large sums he is certainly attaching to himself a large list of friends.

It is interesting to think of the Annual Meeting of the Eastern Turkey Mission as in session today at Harpoot. I would give my best hat to be there - and that means a good deal when you know that my best hat is a plug.

As we figure out now we ought to be in Harpoot early in November, if we can get away from Constantinople early in October. The Church at Los Angeles has released Dr. Turk for six months for this Deputation work, so his coming is assured.

With warm personal regards to all,

Faithfully yours,

September 30, 1914.

Rev. Ernest W. Riggs,

Harpoot, Turkey in Asia.

My dear Mr. Riggs:

I have to report to you the regular annual meeting of the Trustees of Euphrates College which was held here in Boston on Monday the 28th. Your reports came in splendid time. They reached here on the 24th, after the meeting was called. We have to call the meeting a week in advance, and I waited until the very last chance to have the annual meeting in September. We were afraid that the delays in the mails might hold up the reports for a long time.

I want to express first of all great appreciation at the fulness of the report that you made. It is admirable. I was able to read it in large part to the Trustees. If I can get a working force that can give the time to it I will have copies of this made so that each member of the Board may have a copy in his hands. I think they will all read it over.

The attendance at the meeting was good. Miss Borden was on the Pacific Coast, and for some reason Mr. Ward was not there, and Mr. Brewer had an engagement. He came up at noon and expressed his great regret that he could not be present.

No action was taken on the suggestion made in your report with reference to having an ordained missionary sent by the American Board for work in the College. That would not call for action by

the Trustees but by the American Board. I stated the place of Mr. Harlow in the International College at Smyrna and the satisfactory way in which the plan is working there, and there seemed to be general approval on the part of the Board for such a step if the man could be found.

It seemed to us all that we could not think this year of making any effort for a scholarship for Mr. Anirkhanian, as travel is practically impossible in Turkey and the route between Turkey and America is so uncertain that we are allowing no missionaries to sail under present conditions. Then too in times of such stress and strain for the whole world we must be content in all departments of the work with little advance until the crisis passes. We are certainly in a crisis - a world crisis.

The financial report was also satisfactory. I wonder whether we should not send you some more money. Your cash balance the first of July was a little under £T.255. We will have to send now through Mr. Peet, as I assume that you are not able to sell drafts on London there at Harpoot. I will take the matter up with Treasurer Wiggin. We may send you a thousand dollars through Constantinople. It is not yet clear, however, how Mr. Peet will get the money to you. If you are able to open the College this fall and the students bring any money with them this will relieve the situation. It is a perplexing situation, upon which I am hardly able to give any judgment or make any suggestions.

I want to commend your note accompanying the balance sheet explaining different items. I am putting all these into the hands of the Treasurer.

There was no special action taken by the Board except the nomination of three new members. The death of Dr. Strong, a charter

member, was reported and a minute entered upon the records. The only other living charter member is Deacon Field, the present chairman of the Board. The three new members nominated for the Board were Mrs. Edward C. Moore, nominated by the Woman's Board of Missions; Rev. Jason N. Pierce, new pastor of the Second Church, Dorchester; and Dr. Howard A. Bridgman, Editor of the Congregationalist. We have not yet ascertained whether any one or all of these will accept nomination, but I sincerely hope they will.

Great sympathy was expressed on the part of the Board for you and the teaching staff and the Board of Managers and all the interests of the College. The situation is a peculiar one, calling for great faith and patience and persistent holding on, with the assurance that when the storm has passed there will open up opportunities for work surpassing those ever before experienced by the College. The history of mission work confirms this statement, and I am confidently looking forward to one of the greatest advancements of the Kingdom that has taken place during the last century.

My letter to the Mission with reference to possible scholarships in theological schools may have given a wrong impression. There are several of our seminaries, as my communication indicated, that have promised to do what they can in the line of scholarship aid to help young men who are recommended by the Mission and the Board for a year or so of study here in this country. You can depend upon the seminaries' carrying out their offer, and we would be glad to cooperate in the case of Bad. Vartan just as soon as the way opens.

With cordial greetings to the Faculty and the Board of Managers and to all who bear the burden and strain of the College and its work upon their hearts as well as upon their hands, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

October 15, 1914.

To the Trustees of
Euphrates College Funds:-

There was not time at the last annual meeting of the Trustees of Euphrates College to read in full the admirable report of President Riggs. The statement was made that as soon as this report could be copied, a copy would be put into the hands of each member of the board. I am very glad to enclose herewith such a copy. I trust that you will read this with care. It is as comprehensive a statement of the work of the College as any ever made by the President of the College.

I am enclosing also a map of Turkey with a line drawn about the city of Harpoot where the College is located. Please note that the nearest college to Harpoot is at Sivas, twelve days' journey away, to the East, and at Aintab, more than a week's journey to the South-west, with a teachers' college at Sivas, a six days' wagon journey to the North-west. It occupies a great, untouched field of its own.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/A

Enclosures.

October 21, 1914.

Rev. Jason N. Pierce,
Second Congregational Church,
Dorchester, Mass.

My dear Mr. Pierce:-

It gives me great gratification to inform you that at the meeting of the Prudential Committee yesterday you were elected a member of the Board of Trustees of Euphrates College Funds, of which your own Deacon Field is Chairman and about which he conferred with you some time ago.

It gives us all great satisfaction that you are willing to come on this board. We trust that the duties will not be burdensome, but I am sure you will be interested in the work of Euphrates College and that for which it stands.

I am sending you, under another cover, the Constitution and the last English printed catalogue of the College.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton

JLB/E

November 12, 1914.

To the Trustees of Euphrates College Funds:-
102 South Street,
Boston, Mass.

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My dear Mr. Field:-

We have just received a communication from President Riggs of the College, dated October 6th, stating that the number of pupils admitted to all departments up to that date was 505, of whom 140 were in the College proper, 164 in the preparatory department, and the rest in the lower departments. This is an excellent registration in view of the fear, frequently expressed, that the attendance this year would probably be almost nothing, owing to the general distress in the country. A later communication dated October 12th has just been received, stating that Professor Vorperian, who was on his way out to Harpoot when the European war began, had just reached there, after seventeen weeks of nervous strain and tension, but in good shape for work.

Very faithfully yours,

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I do not believe we have any reason to fear that Euphrates College will suffer, or the missionary interests centering there, from this war. There is difficulty in getting funds through from Constantinople. The suggestion has gone out to President Riggs that he invite people to make deposits with him for safe keeping, with the understanding that he will use those funds, up to the necessary limit, informing us here of all such amounts received, and letting those who make the deposits understand that their money cannot be drawn until after communication is had with Boston and remittance secured. People with cash in their homes or about their persons are feeling restless in Turkey because of the uncertainty of the times, and there is more or less brigandage.

Until this strain passes we will communicate, from time to time, information that is received from the College.

Very sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

Secretary.

JLB/E

Same sent to

Miss Carrie Borden
D. Chauncey Brewer
Samuel Ward, Esq.
Miss Kate G. Lamson
Mr. Charles E. Kelsey
Mr. John I. Monroe
Mrs. Frank H. Wiggin
Mr. Francis O. Winslow
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April 12, 1915.

J. W. Field, Esq.
192 South Street
Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Field:-

I am sure you will be interested in these two enclosures recently received from Turkey. President Riggs' letter is illuminating and the cable is comforting. I have no idea that the government that is in power in September will attempt to carry out educational regulations issued by the present government. Again I wish to say that Ambassador Morgenthau has proven himself to be the one among ten thousand for a crisis like this.

Most sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Enc.

July 17. 1916.

Mr. John T. Monroe, Treasurer,
115 Devonshire Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Monroe:-

I have just received the enclosed documents with reference to the Telfeyan Estate. Euphrates College is interested to the extent of fifteen shares of the residuum, whatever that may be. Several other colleges connected with the American Board are also residuary legatees, and the American Board is a residuary legatee to the extent of thirty-five shares. Our Treasurer is taking up the question through our Secretary in New York, Edward Lincoln Smith, endeavoring to get more facts with reference to the case. The will gives to the executors full power to sell any of the assets of the estate, either in private sale or public auction, according to their own judgment. The question has been raised among us as to whether this is not a most unfortunate time to sell these 375 shares of the stock of S. Telfeyan & Co. We will try to keep you informed of what the American Board is doing, and if you and your Finance Committee feel that we should take some action in the case, please let me know.

Very faithfully yours,

James L. Barton, 2.

JLB/E

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